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M BRITANNIA	3069 Thos. Mitchell	9th Jan.
ML NUBIA	3551 F. Blight	21st "
M ARABIA	3344 J. Laird	6th Feb.
L HISPANIA	3380 G. Abrey	25th "
ML ASIA	3560 Wm. Russell	11th Mar.
L PERSIA	3547 R. Hutchison	29th "
ML BRITANNIA	3069 Thos. Mitchell	19th April.
L NUBIA	3551 F. Blight	29th "
L ARABIA	3344 J. Laird	17th May.
ML HISPANIA	3380 G. Abrey	31st "

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Almond Dragees	per lb.	2 4
Legumes Assorted	"	2 4
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Crystallized Jujubes, in bottles	each	0 12
Liqueur Dragees and Birds' Eggs	per lb.	2 0
Silvered Comfits and Almonds	"	4 8
Chocolate Almonds	per box	2 12
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Chocolate Vanille	per box	0 14

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SUIT No. 237 OF 1887.

RATTONSEY LILADHAR and BAI MANEK, son and daughter of LILADHAR ODHAWJI deceased, minors under the age of 18 years, by their next friend NARANDAS THAKARSEY MOOLJEE of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Old Hanooman Lane, out side the Fort, and BAI KUSTUR, wife of NARANDAS THAKARSEY MOOLJEE, also of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing at Old Hanooman Lane, aforesaid..... Plaintiffs

VS.

VALLEBHDAS GORDHANDAS of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing at Ganeshwadi, out side the Fort, aforesaid..... Defendant

PURSUANT to the order of reference of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, made in the above suit, and bearing date the Twenty-six day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-nine, Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of Liladhar Godhawjee, late of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitant deceased, the testator in the pleadings in the above suit mentioned who died at Bombay, on or about the Eleventh day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-two, are hereby required to file such claims in writing in my office in the Court house within one Calendar month from the date hereof, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said order.—Dated this 3rd day of December, 1889.

CHARLES E. FOX.
Commissioner.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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LADIES and GENTLEMEN who have applied for cards of admission as visitors, will be good enough to send for them from the clerk of the Congress office, Bombay Presidency Association Rooms, No. 37, Hornby Row, on and after MONDAY, the 23rd instant.

DINSHAW EDULJI WACHA,
Secretary, Reception Committee.

Bombay, 21st Dec. 1889.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

FRESH TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay on FRIDAY the 3rd January 1890, up to 2 p.m., for the supply of the following articles during the year 1890-91.

Oorsed, Bran, Gram, Oil Cakes, Matra, Rice, Barley and Salt for Municipal Bullocks, heifers, calves and horses from 1st March 1890, to 28th February 1891.

Printed forms of Tenders and conditions of contract, &c., can be obtained on payment of one rupee for each form of Tender at the Office of the Health Officer.

A deposit of Rs. 2,000 must be paid separately into the Chief Accountant's Office at the time of lodging Tenders.

Successful tenderers must pay full stamp duty on their contracts, half the expenses of advertising and printing the contracts, and such further deposit as with the Rs. 2,000 deposited with the tenders, will make up ten per cent. on the amount of the contract.

Sealed samples of the various articles tendered for must accompany each tender.

Tenders unaccompanied by samples will not be received.

The grain supplied to the Health, Market, and Fire Brigade Departments is to be Oorsed for Bullocks and Gram, Barley, and Bran for Horses.

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E. C. K. OLLIVANT.
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices, Bombay, 21st Dec. 1889.

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Messrs. SHERIFF, SON and Co. are instructed to sell by Auction this everyday to the highest bidders at 2 p.m. THIS DAY, an assortment (samples) of fancy shawls, gowns, handkerchiefs, gauze pieces for curtains, and many sundry articles too numerous to mention.

SHERIFF, SON & CO.,
Bombay, December 23, 1889. Auctioneers.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable blackwood, open-carved furniture suitable for presentation at home.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 23rd inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Medow street, Fort, below Mr. N. M. Petit's office, very valuable blackwood opened-carved furniture, such as conversation sofas, chairs, cupboards, ornament stands, pier, side and oval tables, teapoys, centre flower stands, brackets, round tables, &c., &c.

Also an invoice of bentwood furniture, such as Baba coach and chairs, garden benches and chairs rocking and office chairs, verandah couches and bed-room chairs of various kinds.

Also the property of a gentleman, consisting of sofas, chairs, carpets, lamps, glass and crockeryware, tables, bedsteads, pictures, almyras, &c.

The above is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT NEW MODY BAY.

Under instructions from the Honorable Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Knight, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 23rd instant., at 4 p.m., sell by Public Auction on the premises, on account and risk of the mortgagor, Muncherjee Merwanjee Nareliwalla, all the right, title, estate and interest of the said mortgagee, in all that piece or parcel of leasehold land, situate on the Mody Bay Port Trust estate, in the Island or Bombay, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 472 6-9 square yards or thereabouts, together with the messuage, chawl or buildings thereon, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the north by Cabinet Street, on or towards the south by Cochin Street, on or towards the east by land in the occupation of the Bombay Ice Manufacturing Company, and on or towards the west by land in the occupation of the Municipality, which said land is assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 3180, and by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under ward No. 92 Cochin Street and was formerly in the occupation of the said trustees, and is now in the occupation of Muncherjee Merwanjee Nareliwalla, the mortgagor, and his tenants.

For further particulars application may be made to the undersigned.

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BONA-FIDE SALE.

On WEDNESDAY, the 8th January next, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Ridge, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished plain and carved household furniture, best plated-ware, very rich crockery and glassware, a handsome mahogany grand square pianoforte, first-rate oil paintings and oleographs, handsome China and Japanese vases, rich table ornaments, rich Brussels velvet and Persian carpets, handsome hanging and table kerosine lamps, large size Madras cane matting &c., &c., the property of the late Mr. W. J. Best, Exchange Broker.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, December 23, 1889.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 7, MARINE STREET.

BONA FIDE SALE.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 23rd inst, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Colaba Causeway, nearly opposite the Tramway stables, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plated ware, crockery and glassware, lamps, pictures, wearing apparel, &c., the property of a gentleman. The same comprises glassware, dinner and dessert services, plated cruets, and pickle frames, bread-basket, epergne, spoons and forks, and blackwood and teakwood furniture such as marble-topped sideboard, table and teapoys, dining-room chairs, hat-stands, writing and chess tables, chiffoniter, iron bedstead, wardrobes, marble-topped dressing and washhand tables, screen, bookstand, Brussels carpet, easy-chairs, copying-press books, revolver, wearing apparel, cheval glass, clothes press, cooking utensils, &c.,

Property on view

SALE OF GREY PIECE-GOODS.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 23rd inst., at 3 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, by order of Messrs. E. Spinner and Co., and on account and at the risk of Mr. Goverdun Pitamber, piece-goods merchant, at Mooljee Jaitha's Market Bombay:—

Ex s. s. Clan MacDonald.

P L 259 S B L } 110-15—4 bales each 150 pieces grey madapollams, 30 inches 24 yards 3 lbs. 14 oz., No. 375.

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P L 257 S B L } 265-81—18 bales each 50 pieces grey shirtings, 43 inches, 35 yards 11 lbs. 4.8 oz., No. 1300.

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P L 370 S B L } 454-63—9 bales each 60 pieces grey shirtings, 36 inches 38½ yards 6½ to 6¾ lbs. No. 705.

Ex s. s. Clan Murray.

P L 457 S B L } 439-48—7 bales each 50 pieces grey shirtings, 35 in. 37½ yards, No. 1,100.

Ex s. s. Clan Sinclair.

Do. } 516-23—8 bales each 50 pieces grey shirtings, 35 inches 37½ yards, No. 1100.

Ex s. s. Merton Hall.

P L 371 S B L } 506-15—10 bales each 60 pieces grey shirtings, 36 inches 38 yards 6 8-12 lbs., No. 706.

Ex s. s. Clan McDonald.

P L 508 S B L } 638-41—4 bales each 300 pieces grey mulls, 32 inches, 18 yards, G 131.

Ex s. s. Clan Graham.

Do. } 608-37 21 bales each 300 pieces grey mulls, 32 inches 18 yards, G. 131.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 23rd inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CARWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms:—

20 bales grey shirtings.
16 " " dhooties.
6 " " madapollams.
2 cases felt cloth
1 case white flannel.
5 cases Leno gauze stripes, 12 yards.
5 " mull stripes, 12 yards.
5 " 1 and 2 lbs. assorted biscuits.
24 " gum benjamin.
50 " Pilsdner beer in quarts and pints.

On account and at the risk of Abdoolally Naboobhoy.—
1081 in diamond 5390-91—2 tin-lined cases each containing 100 gross 33 inches long chains.

On account of the concerned—
30 crates earthenware, consisting of breakfast and tea-cups and saucers, toilet sets, table and soup-plates, cover dishes, curry dishes, hot-water plates, &c.

On account of the concerned, ex s. s. Hornhead—
R 5-6 M.—1 case India rubber sheets.

On account and at the risk of the defaulting indentor, Ramtoola Motun—
1 case 20 pieces satin.

On account of the concerned, ex s s. Larnaca—
J S 20 runlets of Stockholm tar.

On account and at the risk of Tar Mahomed Hajee Aboo—
1 case cutlery.

By order of Pomjee Tejajee and on account and at the risk of Hajee Seedick Haji Hassum—
3 cases trowserings.
3 " hosiery.
2 " satin stripes.
1 case belt.
2 cases mother-o'-pearl buttons.
11 pieces coating.
3 " cashmeres.

By order of Mahomedally Moomunjee and on account and at the risk of Messrs. H. F. Soares and Co., ex s. s. Etolia:—
25 cases tin plates.

On account and at the risk of W. Duarte—
5 galvanic batteries.
5 gross gold and silver polishing paste.

On account of the concerned—
8 hogsheads of Steel Coulson's porter.

AT 2 P M.

1 strong second-hand brougham.
1 handsome new victoria with removable coach-box.
1 strong serviceable office stangram.
1 light and strong dog-cart.
1 canoe-shaped open carriage.
1 chesnut Arab horse.
1 rustic English-built cart received ex Coromandel.

And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

SALE of handsome Arab horses at the stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road, Byculla.

On THURSDAY next, the 26th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road—

A number of handsome fresh Arab horses, consisting of hunters, chargers, and hacks.

SALE OF TEAK SCANTLINGS.

On SATURDAY next, the 28th inst., at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by auction at the Byculla Saw Mills and Timber Works—

A quantity of millsawn timber of various sizes suitable for many varieties of work, in lots to suit purchasers.

SALE OF FULLSCAP AND MEDIUM PAPER AND PRINTING INK.

On MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their rooms—

500 reams John Dickinson's cream-laid fullscap, 9 to 15 lbs.
50 reams John Dickinson's cream-wove medium, 15 lb.
200 tins each 10 lb Benjamin Winston's black printing ink.

In small lots to suit purchasers.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, December 23, 1889.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

THE RATE OF INTEREST allowed on deposits fixed for one year is to-day INCREASED from 4½ per cent. per annum to 5 per cent. per annum.

By order of the Court of Directors,

J. C. BERGENDAHL,
Agent.

Bombay, 1st June 1889.

THE SEASON 1889-90

THORPE AND CO.,

RAMPART ROW, BOMBAY.

HAVE the pleasure to announce the arrival of the following NEW GOODS:—

FOR COLD WEATHER WEAR.

	Rs. a.	Rs. a.
Warm Rugs, all Wool	13 8	to 38 0
Real Austrian Rugs		38 0
Scotch Mauds	13 8	to 35 0
Real Whitney Blankets, White or Scarlet ...per pair	18 8	to 25 0
Real Eider Down Quilts	25 0	to 45 0
Do. Pillows	6 8	to 8 8
Best Feather do.	...	8 8
Best Wove Flannel Sleeping Suits	12 0	to 16 0
Best Wove Flannel Shirts	7 8	to 8 8
Warm Gloves	1 8	to 2 8
Kid Gloves, Lined, Spring Fastening	...	4 8
Do. (Ladies)	...	4 0
Warm Dressing Gowns	18 8	to 25 0
Bath Dressing Gowns	15 8	to 18 8

	Rs. a.	Rs. a.
Cardigan Jackets	10 8	to 15 8
White Cashmere Mufflers	3 0	to 3 8
White and Coloured Wool Mufflers	3 0	...
Real Scotch Lambswool Under Shirts	6 8	to 7 8
Real Scotch Lambswool Pants	6 8	to 7 8
Stout Brown Merino Vests ...each	7 8	to 8 8
Do. Pants "	7 8	to 8 8
Shetland Lambswool Socks ...per doz	25 0	...
Ribbed Hand Knitted Half Hose, per doz.	30 0	...
Woven Cholera Belts	2 12	...
Warm Overcoats	45 0	to 55 0
Ulsters, very Warm.	45 0	to 55 0
Warm Cheviot Suits, from	38 0	to 50 0

THORPE & Co.,

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES,

NEW GOODS. NEW GOODS.

IN

NUMEROUS VARIETIES.

ALL our various Departments have now been replenished with the most splendid selections of NEW and NOVEL GOODS.

BOLTON AND COMPANY,

ESPLANADE ROAD.

CHRISTMAS CARDS.

IN addition to a Choice Assortment of English Production we have the following:—

INDIAN CHRISTMAS CARDS—
Chromo-Lithographs as supplied by the Basel Mission ... ...Each As. 0 12

INDIAN CHRISTMAS CARDS—
Photographs of Various Indian Scenes ... ...Each Re. 1 0

INDIAN CHRISTMAS CARDS—
Hand-Painted, Bombay Views, &c. ... ...Each Re. 1 4

BOMBAY, Oriental Bank Buildings & Byculla Bridge. } PHILLIPS & CO., LD., { POONA, Temple House, Camp & Bhoodwar Path.

ALCOCK, ASHDOWN & CO., LD.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS, IRON AND BRASS FOUNDERS,

SHIP AND MILL-WRIGHTS.

CONTRACTORS for the supply of Machinery and erection of Buildings for Cotton Flour, Sugar, Oil Mills, Distilleries, &c.

Manufacturers of all kinds of Cast and Wrought Iron Work of the heaviest description, Cotton Presses and Hydraulic Machinery, Mill and Rope Gearing, Ornamental Castings, Road Rollers, &c. Wheels made by Machinery up to 4 feet diameter. Cutters made for Wheel-cutting Machines.

To enable us to meet all Engineering and Trade requirements we have lately added to our Works some of the largest and heaviest Tools in India, and greatly extended our Foundry.

We are also prepared to furnish designs for Bridges, Girders, Roofs, &c., and to manufacture and erect same in any part of India.

TRADE MARK.

A GREAT WANT SUPPLIED! VALVOLINE THE ONLY BEST EVER OFFERED LUBRICANT!

Sole Agents for Messrs. Leonard & Ellis' Celebrated Valvoline Oils for Cylinders and Machinery.

For Downie's "Eucalyptus," Boiler Fluid, for preventing and removing Scale in Boilers.

" Messrs. Wormald & Co.'s Fibrous Non-conducting Composition for covering Steam Boilers and Pipes.

" The Climax Motor, for Baird's Sight-feed Lubricators.

Also Plate, Bar, and Angle Iron of the largest sections. Dismond, Silver and other Steel, and Engineers' Requisites of all descriptions kept in stock.

For Sale—Galloways and Cochrane's Boilers, Shank's Engines, Contractors' Pumps and all boiler fittings, pipes, cocks, &c.

WORKS AND OFFICES, DEFENCES WORKS, MAZAGON; AND BRANCH FACTORY, CARNAC IRON WORKS, NEAR CARNAC BRIDGE.

ALCOCK, ASHDOWN & HEPWORTH,

SECRETARIES AND MANAGERS.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO., No. 4, FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

Sale of valuable and handsome household furniture, best plated ware, rich cut glassware, handsome porcelain ware, choice garden plants, tents, &c., &c.

Under instructions, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 11th January, 1890, at 1-30 p.m., at Dady Sett Hill, Breach Candy, the whole of the above household furniture, &c. the property of E. C. K. OLLIVANT, Esquire, C.S., C.I.E.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, December 23, 1889.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

On FRIDAY, the 27th instant, Messrs. MENESSE and Company will hold their usual weekly auction sale at their rooms, of a quantity of grey and colored piece-goods twist, &c.—

5 cases colored prints and muslins.
3 " white gauze and mulls.
2 " colored cashmere and tweed.
3 " colored velvet.
3 " Stout Brown British.
3 " bales grey piece-goods.
4 " white handkerchieves.
60 cases old Scotch whisky by Goodwin Brothers.
25 " Pilsener beer, &c., &c.

AUCTION SALE of Old Dredger, Engines and Winches in the P. & O. Co.'s Dockyard, Mazagon.

Messrs. MENESSE & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 3 p. m., in the P. & O. Company's Dockyard, Mazagon—

1 Old Dredger.
1 Set engines belonging to the Launch Mazagon.
1 Set " " Parel.
2 Steam Winches.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, December 23, 1889.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned begs to inform Ladies that she SUPPLIES WET-NURSES and DOMESTIC SERVANTS to all parts of India and England, and also takes entire charge of Infants in her Nursery at moderate rates.

The business is of several years' standing and possesses good testimonials. Apply to

MRS. M. MOLESWORTH.
Wet Nurse and Servants' Agency, Agra.

MADRAS RACES 1890.

JANUARY 21st, 23rd, 25th and 28th.

OWNERS are reminded that the Final Entries close 1st January 1890.

Tent and Stable accommodation is provided on the Race-course. Those requiring the same, should apply to the undersigned without delay.

W. T. HAMILTON HOLMES,
Secretary, Madras Races.

THE BOMBAY WOOLLEN MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Limited.

THE above Company is now prepared to SUPPLY BLANKETS, BROAD-CLOTHS, and other WOOLLEN GOODS, in all colours and dimensions. Samples and prices on application to the undersigned.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,
Agents.

WARWICK, ENGLAND.—A Lady residing in this place, who has had much experience in the management of children (having worked over ten years in children's hospitals), desires to receive as boarders children of any age whose parents live in India. There are good boys' and girls' school in the town, and a good Kind

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash Rates.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	All	13 pct.	920
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	All	10 do.	990
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	All	14 do.	900
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	All	6 do.	125
China and Shanghai	60,000	$125	All		265
National Bank	37,330	250	125	5 do.	185

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Bombay Fire	600	1,000	1,000 Rs. 100		850
Empire Fire	"	5,000	1,000 Rs. 75		80
Indian Fire	110	4,000	1,000 Rs. 90		1,050
Prince of Wales	250	8,000	1,000 Rs. 100		1,750

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G. I. P. R. Gs 5 per ct	...	£10	All	at 5 p.c	2,550
B. B. & C. I. R. Guar'd 5 per cent.	...	£ 18	...	at 5 p.c	(42)

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	200	1,250	1,250 Rs. 75		1,125
Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	500 Rs. 20		
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	100	1,100	1,100 Rs. 100		710
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400 Rs. 20		260
Bailey	620	1,000	1,000 Rs. 20		405
Brush Cawnpore F.	0	20	20 Rs. 16		105
Bombay Cotton Press.	100	2	125 Rs. 20		130
Colaba Press Co.	0	1,880	1,880 Rs. 55		365xd
East India Press Co.	0	1,000	1,000 Rs. 100		1,325
English Press & Mfg.	400	250	Rs. 30		190
Fort Press Co.	150	8,500	6,500 Rs. 0		1,325
French Press Co.	300	500	500 Rs. 80		550
Harvey & Sabapathy	450	500	500 Rs. 25		44
Khanderao Cotton Press Co.	240	450	All Rs. 45		370xd
Manmar Manfg. Co.	1,400	250	250 Rs. 25		20½
Mercantile Press	1,500	125	125 Rs. 0		55
Mofussil Co	3,125	400	400 Rs. 50		420
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,350	500	500 Rs. 45		510
New Indian Press	4,000	125	125 Rs. 11		81½
New P. of W. Press	600	500	All Rs. 40		340
Sabapathy Press Co. Ld., (Bellary.)	500	500	500 Rs. 50		50
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750 Rs. 50		470
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000 Rs. 120		1 150
Sassoon Press Co.	300	500	50 Rs. 25		515
Volkart Press	605	1,000	1,000 Rs. 60		575
Khamgaum Manfg. Co	400		250		600

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad S. & W.	1,308	1,000	1,000		1300
Albert Edward Mills		00	50	R	360
Anglo-Indian Spinning & Mfg. Co., Ld.	9,345	100	100	2	80
Alfred Mfg. Co. Ld.	1,000	500	500	...	280
Ahmedabad Ginning	700	1,000	1,000	...	...
Ahmedabad Mfg. & Calico Printing Co.	4,800	125	125	...	...
Ambica S. & M. Co.	600	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	
Alliance Cotton Mfg.	1,800	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	550
Bellary S. & W. Mill	871	500	500	Rs. 50	900
Bombay Cotton Mfg.	600	500	500	Rs. 25	405
Bombay National Mfg Co., Ld	700	1,000	1,000	...	600
Berar Manufacturing Co., Ld.	2,750	200	200	Rs. 0	140
Central India S. & W. & Mfg. Co., Ld.	4,500	50	500	Rs. 55	910
City of Bombay Mfg. Ld	770	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	930
Colaba Land & Mill Ld	4,000	100	100	Rs. 25	665
Connaught Mills Ld.	840	0	50	Rs. 1	640
Cooria S. & W. Ld.	1,300	1,000	1,0	Rs. 40	490
David Mills Co., Ld.	1,600	50	Rs. 40	Rs. 25	500
Dun Mills, Ld.	1,000	1,00	1,0	Rs. 50	900
Empress S. & W. Co.	1,4154	50	50	Rs. 25	630
Framjee Petit S. and Mfg. Co., Ld.	250	1 00	1,00	Rs. 25	510
Gordon S. & Mfg. Co.	700	150	15	Rs. 20	130
Gujerat Ginning & Mfg. Co., Limited		1,00	1,00	...	...
Gujerat S. & W. Co.	420	1,000	1,00	...	83
Hindustan S. & W. Mills Co., Ld.	1,200	1,00	1,00	Rs. 40	775
Howard & Bullough Mills Co., Ld.	1,500	50	50	...	630
Hingunghat Mill Co.	700	575	50	Rs. 37	725nom
Hyderabad Deccan S.	700	1,00	1,00	Rs. 50	715
Indian Mfg. Co., Ld.	600	1,000	1,0	Rs. 50	940
Imperial Cotton Mills	1,360	500	5	Rs. 2	490
Jamshed Mfg. Co.	1,600	25	25	Rs. 1	960
James Greaves Mill	1,340	50	0	Rs. 2	640
Jaffer Ali S. & W. Co., Ld., Original	600	50	0		10
Increased	1,483	25	2	Rs. 1	
Jubilee Mfg. Co Ld.		200	1,000		700
Jowraj Ballco S. & W.	1,100	1,00	1,0	Rs. 40	3:0
Khandesh S. & W.	750	1,00	1,00	Rs. 40	590
Khatteo Makanjee S.	1,000	1,00	1,00	Rs. 40	565
Lakhmidas Khimjee	1,000	00	1,00	Rs. 50	840
Leopold S. Bleaching	3,500	0	10	Rs. 5	155
Madras United S.	5000		1,00	Rs. 100	1,950
Mahalaxmi S. & W.	650	1,00	1,00	Rs. 25	525
Maharaja Mysore S.	4,500	100	100	Rs. 7	10
Managon S. & Mfg.	5,000	250	250	Rs. 5	110
Morarjee Goculdas S.	1,200	1,00	1,00	Rs. 75	1,600
Manockjee Petit Mfg.	4,050	1,00	1,00	Rs. 50	1,460xd
New Great Eastern	1,500	1,00	1,000	Rs. 25	550
National S. & W. Co	600	1,00	1,000		250
Oriental S & W. Co.	5,720		62	Rs. 12½	260
People of India S.	1,000	50	250	Rs.	60
Presidency Mills Co.	743	1,00	1,00	Rs. 50	1,09
Prince of Wales S.	2,199		125		14
Queen S. & W. Co.	799	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	775
Ripon Mfg. Co., Ld.	641	1,000	1,000	Rs. 5	1,115
Sasoon S. & W. Co., Ld.	1,500	1,00	1,000	25	1,00
Sassoon and Alliance Silk Mill Co., Ld.	1,716	50	500	...	50
Shalapore S. & W. Co.		10	1,000	Rs. 60	1,275
Secunderdas S. & W	650	1,00	1,000	Rs. 50	115
Southern Mahratta S. & W. Co., Ld.	2,400	250	252	Rs 15	270
Swadeshi Mills Co, Ld	4,000	500	500	..	285
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	675
Sun Mills Ld	1,300	250	250		360
Victoria Mfg. Co., Ld.	600	0	1,000	Rs. 25	405
Veeramgaum S. & Mfg	800	500	500		...
Venkshunker Luxmishunker Cotton Mill Co., Ld.		500	..	Rs. 20	500
Western India S.	1	1,000		Rs. 2	495
Ritani	1,000	1,0.0	1,0 0	Nil	610

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock Ashdown	1,000	200	200	10	215
	750	150	150	p.ct	165
Badham Pile & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs. 14	14
Bapty Co., Ld.	625		185	Nil	56
Bombay Land & Building Co., Ld.		00	0	6 p.c.	60
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	750	500	500	10 p.c.	620
Bombay Ice Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	Rs. 5	83
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation.	1,000	2,500	165	Rs.	3,500
Do. (3rd issue)	2,000	62	375	Rs.	870
Municipal Bonds	...	...	...	p.c.	106
Clydesdale Dyeing Co.	1,000	500		...	150
Cooper, Madon Ld	3,000	100	100	Rs.	5
Deccan Paper Mills	1,600	500	500	Nil	47
Delhi and Northern India Flour	1,500	200	200	...	180
Geyer & Co., Ld.	500	100	40	...	40
Indian Guaranteed Surety ship Ass.	5,000	100	10	10 p.c.	11
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	42,080	25	25		5½
Kurrachee Lighterage	500	256	250	...	75
Kemp & Co., Ld.	4,000	200	175	Rs. 26½	362
Marcks & Co., Ld.	4,000	00	100	Rs. 10	75
Napier Hotel Co.	300	100	100	13 p.c.	70
Napier Foundry	400	100	100	...	6
Oriental Government Security Life As.	5,000	200	50	10 p.c.	210
Oriental Loan Asso.	5,000	20	20	8 p.s.	20
Port Canning Co.	6,000	000	1000	Rs. 20	361
Royal Flour Mills	2,400	100	100	Nil	65
Phillips & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs	99
Scundy & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	...	9 p.c.	101
Southwell and Austin.	1,000	...	25	...	80
Telephone Co., Ld.	19,000	25	500	Rs. 5-8	12
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,205	500	100	Rs. 85	1,270
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,500	100		Rs. 10	13
Western India Flour	000	1	125	Nil	35
M Mody & Co					38
Bhownugger City P. & M. Co., Ld	550	250	250	Rs. 15	230½

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 17th December, as compared with the statement of the 10th December :—

LIABILITIES.	December 10. Rs. A. P.	December 17. Rs. A. P.
Capital paid up	2,00,00,000 0 0	2,00,00,000 0 0
Reserve Fund	58,00,000 0 0	58,00,000 0 0
Public Deposits, &c.	1,80,06,769 3 2	1,61,03,027 1 0
Other Deposits, &c.	3,42,59,745 6 2	3,56,99,631 6 10
Bank Post Bills, &c.	2,30,029 13 11	2,22,487 2 0
Sundries	14,33,723 1 11	14,67,743 0 4
Rs.	7,97,30,267 9 2	7,94,87,888 10 2

ASSETS.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Government Securities	21,24,440 8 0	18,53,048 0 0
Other authorized Invtmts	80,80,854 12 0	77,35,554 12 0
Loans on Govt. and other authorized Securities	1,15,81,081 5 4	1,21,19,149 8 8
Credits on do.	99,25,691 11 1	99,46,223 4 4
Bills discounted &c.	2,60,71,762 9 5	2,54,48,487 2 8
Balances with other Banks	10,95,727 2 11	11,14,306 12 1
Bullion	2,94,299 8 8	2,36,401 5 0
Dead Stock	12,41,486 6 6	12,41,218 12 4
Stamps	11,101 3 0	11,474 6 0
Sundries	1,30,754 4 11	1,31,181 11 11
Cash &c. at Head Office	26,75,029 13 7	20,49,954 0 4
Do. at Branches	1,04,97,968 3 9	1,06,01,794 14 10
Rs.	7,97,30,267 9 2	7,94,87,888 10 2

A CONTRACT for lighting the House of Parliament by electricity has been given to the London and Westminster Electric Supply Company, and active steps are being taken to carry it into effect. Hitherto the lighting has been undertaken by the authorities of the House, controlled by the First Commissioner of Works, but now that it is proposed to make a large extension of the existing installation in the palace, it has been thought advisable to obtain the supply of electricity from an outside source. The dynamos in the basement of the House of Commons will consequently no longer be required, the current in future entering the building through a cable coming from the nearest station of the London and Westminster Company.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Standing Committee, 3 p.m.
Bombay Underwriters' Association, 4-30 p.m.
Dr. Blaney's Lecture, Framjee C. Institute, 5-15 p.m.
Music at the Yacht Club, 5-30 p.m.
Amateur Theatricals, G. I. P. Railway Institute, Parel, 9 p.m.
Switchback Railway.
Columbia Skating Rink, 5 to 7-30 p.m., and 8-30 to 11 p.m.
Novelty Theatre, Hudson's Surprise Party, 9 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 20th :—Ponani (s), from Mangalore. On the 21st :—Jona (s), from Middlesborough. Yesterday :—Dora Foster (s), from Rangoon ; Lindula (s), Mauritius ; and Kaiser-i-Hind (s), China.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed on the 21st :—Hindoo (s), for Cutch Mandvi, &c. ; Arbib Brothers (s), Dunkirk ; Arabia (s), Marmagao, &c. ; and Eden Hall (s), Port Said and Liverpool.

A GANG OF DISORDERLY AFGHANS.—At the Esplanade Police Court, on Saturday, Police Superintendent Brewin brought six Afghans before Mr. Cooper, charged with creating a disturbance in the Bhendi Bazaar Road, on Friday. It seemed that the accused six persons, with two others, who were now confined in the hospital, were creating a disturbance by fighting with sticks. Mr. Brewin said these people ought to be summarily dealt with, as they seemed to have no regard for law and order. Several witnesses were called, but as the evidence was not complete, the case was remanded until the 2nd of January, and the accused persons bound over to keep the peace for Rs. 100 each, each man also to find one surety for the same amount.

A VINDICTIVE OLD MAN.—In connection with the case which was brought before Mr. Cooper on Saturday, in which eight Afghans were charged with disorderly behaviour, an old man, Hajee Fuzulkhan was also brought up upon a charge of disorderly conduct. Police Inspector Saunders, who was in charge of the case, stated that the accused was father to two of the men who had been injured in the Afghan disturbance. He had stood near the shop of some of the persons that he believed had struck them, and had used threatening and abusive language towards the inmates. His Worship bound him over to keep the peace for Rs. 100, with one surety for the same amount.

THE INDIAN TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.—A public meeting under the auspices of the above association will be held this evening in the Colaba High School, opposite the Tramway Stables, Lower Colaba, at eight o'clock, when addresses will be delivered by the president, the Rev. W. D. Frazer of Lucknow and others.

LOST CHEQUES.—Mr. Fucile, hair-dresser, residing at Tamarind Lane, Fort, reports the loss of a cheque for Rs. 81 on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and one for Rs. 10-4, on the New Oriental Bank on Friday last.

GOVERNMENT WORKHOUSE CHRISTMAS DINNER AND POOR FUND.—The Acting Governor, Government Workhouse, Bombay, begs to acknowledge with many thanks, the following contribution received on 21st December, 1889 :—T. M. Filgate, Esq., Rs. 15.

TRANSFER OF OFFICERS IN THE SALT DEPARTMENT.—A correspondent writes us that the native subordinate officers of the Customs and Salt Departments have made a representation to Government through the Commissioner of Customs, for transfer of two members out of their number in lieu of the two mamlatdars recently transferred to the Salt Department under an order of the Local Government.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—The Band of the 4th Bombay Rifles will play the following programme at the Yacht Club, this evening, at 5-30 p.m. :—

Valse	Jeunesse Doree — Waldteufel.
Quadrille	Arcadia — Coote.
Valse	With the Stream — Marzials.
Fantasia	Yule Tide — Kappey.
Valse	The Jubilee — Coote.
Galop	Cleopatra — D' Albert.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

CHILDREN ROBBED OF THEIR ORNAMENTS.—A woman, named Myna, residing at DeLisle Road, reports the theft of a silver chain, valued at Rs. 7, from her daughter, aged 3 years, while playing on the roadside on Friday last.—Dagroo Ramjee, a labourer, also residing at DeLisle Road, reports the theft of a silver neck ornament, four silver bangles and two silver wristlets, of the collective value of Rs. 7-4, from his daughter, aged 3 years, while playing on the roadside.—On Friday a woman, named Gya, also residing on De Lisle Road, reports the theft of three silver bangles, valued at Rs.4-8 from her granddaughter, aged 2 years, while playing in the street in front of her house on Friday last.

THEFT OF A GOLD RING FROM A BUNGALOW.—Police Inspector Stanford on Saturday, placed a Carpenter named Vitrul Coomal, before Mr. Cooper, at the Esplanade Police Court, and charged him with the theft of a gold ring, valued at Rs. 175 from the bungalow of Mr. William Green, at Colaba. Mr. Green stated that on Friday morning, he left the ring upon a table in his bed-room. The accused was employed in the room that day. When Mr. Green returned, he missed the ring, the police were communicated with, and by the vigilance of Inspector Stanford the thief was ascertained to be the carpenter. He had stolen the ring, and had sold it to a goldsmith for Rs. 16. He was convicted and sentenced to undergo two months' rigorous imprisonment.

A GOVERNMENT SERVANT FORFEITS HIS PENSION.—Balkrishna Atmaram was on Saturday placed before Mr. Cooper, at the Esplanade Police Court, charged with the theft of some candles, tobacco, and nails, Government property. Inspector Killeen, of the Dockyard Police, was in charge of the case. The accused had taken the articles, which were valued at Rs. 4 from an office in the Dockyard. He pleaded guilty, but said that owing to drink, his head was not so clear as it might be, and he had taken these things without knowing what he was doing. The man had been twenty years in Government employment, and bore a good character. His Worship, taking into consideration the fact that he would forfeit his pension, only sentenced him to fourteen days' imprisonment.

TEMPERANCE SOCIETY AT JUBBULPORE.—The well-known temperance advocate, the Rev. Mr. Evans, visited Jubbulpore on his way to Bombay, and had crowded meetings at three different places. In the city he had a most enthusiastic reception. The subject he dealt with was the Government Abkari. He spared the people no more than Government, and the lecturer said they could well put down the evil by simply shutting their mouths and their purses. After the meeting which was most enthusiastic throughout, Mr. Evans organized a Jubbulpore Total Abstinence Society, and on the spot some hundreds joined to abstain from the use of all intoxicants. We understand that Mr. Evans is elected in Calcutta as a delegate to the Congress at Bombay, though his main work is temperance.

THE RICE CROP IN BURMA.

THE Revenue and Agricultural Department report on the prospects of the crop on 1st December is as follows :—

"The area under rice cultivation in the ten chief rice-producing districts of Lower Burma is now estimated at 3,808,150 acres, or 177,060 acres more than the area actually under cultivation in 1888, and 9,817 acres more than was estimated in last month's report. The later rainfall has everywhere been favourable, and a 20-anna crop is expected in two districts, a 17-anna crop in three districts, a 16-anna crop in four districts, and a 15-anna crop in one district. It is estimated that there will be available for export 1,256,000 tons of cargo rice, including what will be required for Upper Burma."

No fewer than 38 notices of Private Bills to be brought before Parliament next Session have been given. Of these only 36 deal with matters connected with the Metropolis, and five of them are for construction of subway railways.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it WILL POSITIVELY RESTORE IN EVERY CASE GREY OR WHITE HAIR to its original colour, without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots where the glands are not decayed. Ask your Chemists for "THE MEXICAN HAIR RENEWER," sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere at 3s, 6d. per bottle. Sold wholesale by the Anglo-American Co., Limited Farringdon-Road, London, England

BOMBAY ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

THE usual general meeting of the above Society was held at the Society's rooms, 6, Apollo Street, on Wednesday, the 18th instant. Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha presided.

DONATIONS.

The following donations were announced, and thanks voted to the donors :—

From Mr. W. F. Sinclair, Bombay, C.S., Collector, Kolaba. A Katkari tinder box made of Tassa silk cocoons. Tinder from silk cotton tree, Kolaba district.

From Mr. Isaac Benjamin, a photograph and forehead ornament of Arab women.

From the Asiatic Society of Bengal, the Modern Vernacular Literature of Hindustan ; by George A. Grierson, B.A., B.C.S.

Copies of Society's Proceedings from March to August, 1889.

From Berlin, Der Gesellschaft Fur Erd Kunde Za Berlin.

From Author, Ibn Batutah in Southern India ; by Mrs. L. Fletcher.

The following paper was then read by Dr. W. Dymock, acting honorary secretary, for the author, Mr. F. Fawcett :—

THE MOUTH-LOCK VOW.

A curious and perhaps not very well known form of vow which Hindoos make to deities is that of the mouth-lock, an instrument fashioned like a large safety-pin usually made of silver, and worn with the pin stuck through both cheeks between the teeth so as to keep the mouth open, and offered at a shrine in performance of a vow for some received benefit. Some thousands of these mouth-locks worn by devotees from all parts of India, but chiefly from about Mysore, the Ceded Districts, and Hyderabad are given up at Tirupati—where so many Hindoos leave their hair in the north-west district of the Madras Presidency. At Trivallam and Tiruparam, as well as at other places, there are also shrines where this form of vow is performed. It is supposed to be one of abstinence (from food) and silence, but seems to have almost lost this significance, and become a mild form of self-mutilation and temporary inconvenience. Some orthodox persons are said to fix on their mouth-lock before leaving home, and wear it all the way to Tirupati ; others are said to wear it on the journey, and take it off while they eat. This one would think would be painful ; but most of the devotees go to Tirupati, and fix on the mouth-lock when near the shrine. But wherever the devotee may be when it is fixed on, it is worn when approaching the shrine, and at the shrine taken off and put into the receptacle for the offerings of pilgrims. The subsequent fate of these mouth-locks is, they are sold by auction for their intrinsic value for the benefit of the temple. Tirupati being a Vishnu shrine, there are no animal sacrifices there. On Tuesday and Friday many little vows are wiped off by devotees, who bring cocoanuts, plantains, and lights to be offered to the goddess through the priest, who breaks the cocoanuts, and places the offerings in front of the idols, while he prays with folded arms, waves the light, and returns half of the offerings to the devotee, retaining the other half for himself. Only a few of the very poor go to the shrine empty-handed. When the devotee is Brahmin, he does not enter the temple, but makes his offering outside and goes away without giving any thing to the priest. Parents of sick children go to the temple with offerings of cocoanuts and plantains to obtain the protection of these their tutelary deities in their trouble, not for a blessing, which can be given by God alone, but for protection from trouble they are in, or which is apprehended. Some of these vow to make *pooja* at the temple wearing a mouth-lock if their child is cured, and when the time comes in the annual festival of the goddess, they carry out their vow going to the temple with music if they can afford to pay for it. Brahmins seldom, if ever, vow to wear the mouth-lock at this festival. Sometimes the condition of the vow requires the sick child to wear the mouth-lock after being restored to health ; and when the child is considered too young to undergo the operation of sticking the pin through the cheeks, substitution is made by sticking it through a plantain which the child carries. Some persons of the lower castes occasionally vow to send one of their womankind, wife or mother, or even their child, to the temple wearing a mouth-lock ; but this vicarious performance is not common, though a neat way of being temporarily rid of that which is "like a continual dropping on a very rainy day" might be made out of it ; and I do not think mothers-in-law are made a convenience of in this manner. But to give an instance which came under my notice some four years ago. A girl of 6 was sick, and her father vowed to Krupama that in the event of his daughter being restored to good health she would make a *pooja* at the temple wearing a mouth-lock. Last year the girl was considered to be quite well, and a silver mouth-lock was procured from a goldsmith, who fixed it on the girl sticking the pin through the cheeks behind the corners of the mouth. As soon as it was fixed on, a goat was sacrificed *in the house*. The girl then went to Krupama temple close by, wearing the mouth-lock, and carrying some rice, cloves, and a light. She offered these to Krupama through the priest, prayed a while and took off her mouth-lock and gave it to the priest. Mouth-locks are also made of gold, copper, and brass. A silver one costs about three annas. During this festival sacrificial vows are also performed, the animals—sheep, goats, and fowls—being beheaded in front of the temple. The heads of the devoted animals are the perquisite of the priest ; the rest of the flesh is eaten by the devotee or his friends and cannot be sold. Other vows take the form of an offering of yellow cloth. There is no fixed day for the festival, which is subscribed for, and performed at whatever is considered to be the most suitable time. On the last day nearly everyone brings a light, and presents it with one pie to the priest. Some who make a wave-offering with a light in a certain kind of vessel give a little more. Another form of vow to be seen at this festival is a curious survival of the practice of swinging by hooks fastened in the flesh. A strong post, about ten feet high, is fixed perpendicularly in the ground ; on the top of it a long pole is fixed in such a manner that it will revolve as on a pivot, one end is weighted, and to the other end is hung a kind of chair in which sits the devotee who is hoisted up, and swung round three times. The priest of the temple who after receiving the offerings of the devotees superintends the working of the arrangement receives 4 annas 8 pies from each person. If the devotee is a child, it is swung round sitting in some one's lap ; children half price, 2 annas 4 pies being paid for each. Some poor persons are swung ground for an anna if they cannot afford more, and those who can pay nothing walk three times round the post. At this time, too, sick persons come and walk three times round the post in the hope of being cured. Before the devotee is swung round, cocoanuts are broken at the bottom of the post. The festival lasts some five or six days, and during a great part of it most of the people of the low caste who attend it are more or less drunk ; so is the priest, who feast about fifty Parias in two days. The neighbouring liquor vendors do a good business during the festival. On the last day, when the lights are brought to the temple, the priest performs a final sacrifice of a male buffalo purchased by himself, for the ostensible purpose of pleasing Krupama and her sisters, who would, if the sacrifice was omitted, take vengeance by killing a member of his (the priest's) family within a year. Of course, the object of the performance of this festival is to keep the goddesses in good humour, so that they will protect their worshippers by not allowing any other goddess to enter the place and play frauds. A curious mode of appeasing a village goddess, which came under my notice in the Cuddapah district recently, is perhaps worth noting. Some cattle-disease was making sad havoc, and as private efforts to stop it were of no avail, the villagers put their heads together and resolved to hang up an animal, which had died of the disease, to a tree. So a dead buffalo was hung up by the heels to a tree as an offering to the village goddess who was making all the mischief ; and, of course, the disease was stopped at once. I saw one carcass which had been hanging for two years, and another which has been hanging for a year and a half ; and but for some bones of the legs and the lower jaw, which were missing from one, they were quite complete, as if stuffed. The villagers said they do not try to preserve them, and account for vultures not having touched them as they were near the village and close to a cart-road. The stench for about ten days was, they said, horrible, but they do not mind much as the wind carried it past their village on to another one ; but, of course, that was not their concern.

After thanks had been voted to Mr. Fawcett for his interesting contribution, the meeting was dissolved.

DIVINE SERVICE.

ST. NICHOLAS' CHURCH.

Opposite the Main Entrance to Prince's Dock.

Christmas, 1889.—Christmas Eve.

5-30 p.m.—Evening Prayer with Sermon.

Christmas Day.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion with Sermon.

6 p.m.—Evening Prayer with Sermon.

Carols will be sung after the Evening Services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Flowers for the Festival will be thankfully received, and should be sent to the Seamen's Institute.

"PHOSPHO," a most agreeable beverage and valuable nutritive stimulant. Rs. 2-8 per dozen. PHILLIPS & Co., Ld., Bombay and Poona.

THE NATIVE PIECE-GOODS MERCHANTS AND THEIR METHAS.

THE methas (bill-collectors and clerks) employed in the service of the native piece-goods merchants in Bombay, have of late been agitating against the system of serving their masters for about sixteen hours a day, much to the detriment of their health. They complain that their masters compel them to serve from 7 o'clock in the morning till 12 o'clock at midnight, and sometimes till 1 or 2 o'clock on the following morning, leave being granted for about two hours—one in the morning and the other at night—to allow of their taking their meals. The agitation, which has been carried on for some time, culminated in the convening of a meeting yesterday at Mahadev Bag where about eight or nine hundred of these methas had assembled. Mr. Javerilal Umiashunker was called to the chair. The proceedings were conducted in the Gujrati language.

The chairman, in opening the proceedings, observed that in all Government offices and European merchants' firms, the clerks had to attend at 10 in the morning and leave at about 5, or at the latest about 6 o'clock in the evening. The mill-hands, who were said to be worked the most in our local mills, and about which there had been so much agitation of late both in England and in Bombay, served on an average from 12 to 13 hours a day during the long or summer days, and about 10 in the winter. But the poor methas, who were so meagerly paid, had to toil and moil to maintain themselves and their families from 15 to 16 hours a day, and had no rest given to them all the year round. A metha's lot, Mr. Javerilal said, could only be compared to a hack-buggy horse, which was the most ill-used animal in the city of Bombay. (Applause and laughter.) In the morning the metha rose with the sun to serve his lord and master, and continued to do so long after the glorious orb had illuminated the nether world. He was, no doubt, granted an hour's leave at about 11 a.m. for his meals, but he was expected to be at his post at noon to perform his mixed duties of writing up the books, collecting money, looking after the shops and warehouses, and doing other odds and ends too numerous to be mentioned. In the evening he had again an hour's leave, but he was soon to be found at his master's shop attending to his multifarious duties. According to the custom prevailing among native merchants, the man was expected to go out collecting money on bills at about 10 or 11 in the night, and after returning from that duty, he had to make entries of the day's business in the books of account. The master, who was generally in the habit of enjoying his afternoon siesta, had snatches of sleep in his shop at night until the metha shook and awoke him and said that his day's business was finished, and that he was going to his house, which was at the small hours of the morning. (Applause and laughter.) As if the sixteen or seventeen hours' work was not sufficient for the wretched metha, the master invariably asked him to go to some of the dilatory paymasters to receive money from them before he returned to his duties the same morning at 7 o'clock. This the metha, of course, could not possibly do, but he invariably pleaded it as an excuse while he was absent for an hour or two on what might be called "false pretences" for buying grain and vegetable for his daily food for himself and family. (Laughter and applause.) Such was the pitiful state of these methas, and it was high time that it should be remedied in a legitimate and constitutional manner. The constant work done in dark, ill-ventilated shops, or rather cells, where the rays of the sun never penetrated, told heavily on the health of these methas, who, as he (the chairman) said before, were called upon to perform the manifold duties of clerks, bill-collectors, salesmen, &c. He (Mr. Javerilal) knew several of these employers of mehtas, who were most of them open to reason and conviction, and he was sure that if the matter was only pressed on their attention, they would do all they could to remedy the grievance. (Loud applause.)

A Hindu gentleman then read a petition addressed to the secretary of the native Piece-goods Merchants' Association, in which the petitioners asked that they should not be made to work longer than from 8 in the morning till 8 in the night, and that a few holidays might be granted during the year.

A Hindoo editor of some Gujrati paper then addressed the assembly at great length, comparing Mr. Javerilal with Mr. John Burns, and referring to the recent strikes and the meetings held in connection therewith in England. He waxed eloquent, and bringing tears into his eyes, advised his hearers to combine, and said that, should they fail in their endeavours to have their grievances redressed, they should continue to carry on their agitation, and, if need be, to approach Government in the matter.

The petition was adopted.

Some of the methas addressed the meeting giving their personal experiences.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 20.

Thatcher, Captain, Bo, Dy Surgn for Mos, on duty, from Poona.

Randolph, Captain, Beng, 2nd Worc Regt, on duty, from Quetta.

Powell, Lieut, Beng, R E, on sick leave, from Quetta.

Daw berry, Lieut, Bengal, 1st E Lanc Regt, on leave, from Deolali.

DECEMBER 21.

Wilbraham, Captain, Ms, Duke of Cornwall, from Deolali

Wighton, Lieut-Colonel, Bo Arsenal, on duty, from Kamptee.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 21.

Baker, Captain, Ms, R A, on duty, to Hayetmyo.

Magu ire, Captain, Ms, 2nd Cavalry, on duty, to Secunderabad.

Robertson, 2nd Lieut, Ms, 1st K O S B, on duty, to Rangoon.

Wahab, Colonel, Bombay, Lanc Fus, off leave, to Ahmednagar.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. THE HON'BLE L. H. BAYLEY,
Commanding, Bo. Vol. R. Corps.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1889.

1. Regimental order No 4 of 21st instant is hereby cancelled.

2. Signalling Classes during the fortnight commencing from this day, Monday, 23rd instant, will attend as follows :—1st and 2nd class, Monday afternoons at 5 o'clock, and Friday mornings at 7 o'clock. 3rd class, Tuesday and Saturday mornings at 7 o'clock.

By order,
T. W. C. LEATHEM, Captain, and
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

BATTERY ORDERS

By Major G. W. Roughton, Commanding
Bombay Vol. Artillery.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1889.

1. There will be gun drill at Head-quarters at 6-30 p.m. to-day.

2. On Saturday, the 28th instant, the Battery will parade at the Apollo B

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The scale for these Advertisements is as follows:—Not exceeding 5 lines, Re. 1; each succeeding line, As. 5. No trade advertisements are admitted under this scale.

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FIFTH INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS. NOTICE.

MEMBERS of the Reception Committee are reminded to be at the Apollo Bunder TO-DAY in the AFTERNOON, to receive SIR WILLIAM WEDDERBURN and Mr. BRADLAUGH. The steamer is expected to arrive between 4 and 8 P.M.

DINSHAW E. WACHA, Secretary, Reception Committee.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 21.

CONSOLS declined another ⅛ per cent. in London yesterday, say to 97⅜, in consequence, no doubt, of the greater demand for Money which sets in at the close of the year, and which was indicated by a decrease of nearly two million pounds on Private Deposits in the Bank of England, as disclosed by the last weekly return. Reuter's quotations of last evening, making a decline of ⅛ to ¼ per cent. in the market rates of discount, are, of course, erroneous, private telegrams quoting an advance to that extent at 3⅜ for short London Bills, and 3½ per cent. for six months' sight Indian Bank Paper. A further recovery of 1-16d. took place in Silver, at 44d. per oz., private messages calling the metal firm with buyers at the rates, and Rupee Securities were ¼ per cent. higher for Fours and ⅜ for 4½ per cents. at £69 and £71⅛, respectively. Indian Sterling Loan remained at 107½. French Rentes in Paris were unaltered, but exchange in London was rather easier at fcs. 25·21. The price of Silver appears to have gone back to 43 15-16d. per oz., to-day; but all other financial quotations come as before.

In General Produce Linseed was flat at Thursday's prices both spot and arrival; and Rapeseed was unchanged. Soft White Delhi Wheat, on the spot in Liverpool, was ½d. per cental dearer, at 6s. 9d. ex-quay; but other quotations come unaltered. There was 80,000 quarters of Wheat more afloat for the United Kingdom yesterday than in the previous Friday, at 163,000 quarters.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed dull yesterday, Surats quiet; the total sales again reaching only 8,000 bales, of which 500 were Surats. Mid.-American remained at 5½d. per lb., and all other quotations, ready and forward, come unchanged. The day's imports were 27,000 bales. The Manchester market was quiet but steady. This afternoon the Liverpool market closed quiet, all round, the sales having been 6,000 bales, including 400 Surat, and prices showing no change whatever. The imports were 19,000 bales. Manchester closed with a quiet feeling.

Some decrease in the amount of business in Cotton in Liverpool is shown by the weekly statistics wired by Reuter, the total Sales having been 4,000 less than in the week preceding, at 52,000 bales; while the amount taken by the trade and forwarded was 5,000 bales less, at 124,000 bales. The Imports had been 10,000 bales smaller at 131,000 bales. The total Stock had increased during the week by 42,000 bales, and as it stood yesterday, was 240,000 bales heavier than at the same time last year, and 184,000 bales above the figures for 1887. The stock of Surats had diminished by 6,000 bales, say to 112,000 bales. The total Visible Supply of Cotton had become greater by 160,000 bales; that of East Indian by 4,000 bales; and the figures which we give below show a total increase of 349,000 bales compared with last year, and a falling off of 24,000 bales as against the year before; while of East Indian Cotton there were 126,000 bales more and 17,000 bales less in sight compared with 1888 and 1887 respectively. In prices, Mid. American had given way 1-16d. per lb. and Arrivals were 1-64d. to 1-32d. lower in the nearer positions, and 3-64d. for the more distant deliveries. The spot price was yesterday ¼d. per lb. higher than at this time last year, but 3-16d. below the quotation in 1887.

An advance of two points in March futures at 10·16 cents was the only change in New York yesterday, the spot price having remained at 10½ cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 29,000 bales, making the week's total about the same as that of the corresponding week last year, but considerably above the figures in 1887; and the total arrivals since the 1st September now show an increase on those of the two preceding years for the same time of 474,000 bales and 65,000 bales, respectively. The quantity of Cotton in sight in New York yesterday was 3,040,000 bales, against 2,950,000 bales visible a week ago. To-day the market was virtually unchanged. The Receipts were 36,000 bales against the same quantity last year, and 35,000 bales the year before.

The American crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Week's receipts	252,000	253,000	202,000
,, exports to U. K.	74,000	149,000	75,000
,, ,, Continent	105,000	101,000	59,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept	3,845,000	3,371,000	3,740,000
,, exports to U. K. do.	1,518,000	1,311,000	1,284,000
,, ,, to Continent do.	1,175,000	997,000	1,027,000
,, Stock in the Ports	733,000	893,000	1,023,000

The total Visible Supply of Cotton for all Europe on the 20th instant affords the following comparisons with the two previous years:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Total supply of all kinds	3,110,000	2,761,470	3,133,820
,, Surats	238,000	141,910	255,100

For the United Kingdom only the figures are:—

Stock in Liverpool	793,000	557,690	613,800
,, London	15,000	5,000	29,000
American Afloat	261,000	230,000	250,000
East Indian ,,	23,000	16,000	15,000
	1,096,000	828,690	912,800
Price of Mid.-Americans	5½d.	5¾d.	5 11-16d.
,, Good Dhollera	4½d.	4¾d.	4 7-16d.
Difference	1d.	½d.	1¼d.

There was not much doing in Cotton here today, the total purchases not summing up much more than 1,000 bales of ready new stuff; but the tone of the market has remained steady, and prices show no quotable change. Bengals, at Rs. 178 to Rs. 184; and Julgaum, at Rs. 206½ have been principally taken, the balance of the purchases reported having been in Dhulia, at Rs. 195½; and Khangaum Ginned, at Rs. 220½ per candy.

WHEAT has not attracted attention more than has lately been the case, and we have again to report a small business doing in this market; but the feeling remains steady, and prices are unaltered all round.

SEEDS are without movement of importance. Transactions have been upon a small scale, and on the basis of previous prices, which are steadily maintained for all descriptions.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	7,555 bales.
Wheat	24,966 cwts.
Linseed	2,935 ,,
Rapeseed	4,286 ,,
Gingelly	14,148 ,,
Ground Nuts	1,454 ,,
Castorseed	1,812 ,,

FREIGHTS are steady. The "City of Delhi" (s) has been berthed for Liverpool, for early January loading, with Wheat at 18s. 9d. to 19s. per ton.

EXCHANGE has been steady at yesterday's closing quotations for ready business, Bank Demand having been quoted at 1s. 4 29-32d. for January-February delivery, and Telegraphic at 1s. 4⅞d. for transfer in the same months. Scarcely anything is now doing in this market, however, and as far as business is concerned, the Christmas holidays may be regarded as having commenced. We quote:—

Bank Bills on Demand	...1s. 4⅛d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	...1s. 4 27-32d.	,,
Do. 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 31-32d.	,,
Credits do.	...1s. 5 3-32d.	,,
Francs	...1·80	,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been quiet and weak, and the cash price of Fours has been quoted throughout the day at 98½, while for the coming settlement the rate has receded to 98 3-16, and for the February account to 98. For 4½ per cents 102½ is still the nominal quotation.

SHARES.—The downward movement in Cotton Mill scrip continues, and we note a decline of Rs. 50 per share in Madras United; of Rs. 25 in Sholapore; of Rs. 15 in Star of India and Western India; of Rs. 10 each in Bellary, Empress, Howard and Bullough, Jevraj Balloo, Khandeish, Oriental, and Sunderdas; and of Rs. 5 each in City of Bombay, Framji Petit, Leopold, and Mazagon, at our quotations. Bank of Bombay shares are Rs. 5 lower at Rs. 920 per share.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SATURDAY NIGHT, Dec. 21.

10 p.m.	72·8

SUNDAY, Dec. 22.

6 a.m.	70·6
10 a.m.	76·3
2 p.m.	83·4
4 p.m.	80·4

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

DEATH.

SARASIN—December 21, at Offenbach, Fritz Sarasin.—(By telegraph.)

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HAMILTON—December 14, at Jubbulpore, the wife of Major P F Hamilton, Royal Artillery, of a son.

McCARRON—December 14, at Allahabad, the wife of Geo H McCarron, *Pioneer* Press, of a daughter.

NORFOR—December 17, at Kelambakkam, (Covelong), the wife of E Norfor, Salt and Abkari Revenue, of a daughter.

POSFORD—December 12, at Commillah, the wife of J. Posford, C.S., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BECKETT—THOMASON—December 11, at Christ Church, Bareilly, Clifford Beckett, Esq. of the Bengal-Nagpur Railway, to Bessie Drummond, youngest daughter of Colonel C S Thomason, R E (Bengal).

PRIESTLEY—LANGLEY—December 9, by the Rev. T. Haines, London Mission Church, Fort Bellary, Cecil Priestley, S M Railway, to Blanche Maude Sturmer Langley, fourth daughter of P R Langley, Esq, State Railways.

DEATHS.

ARNELL—Dec 17, at Sibi, Beluchistan, of pneumonia, Arthur William Ernest Arnell, Engine Driver, North-Western Railway (late G I P Railway), aged 25 years and 7 months.

DIGAN—December 15, at Mean Meer, of enteric fever John Digan, Lieutenant, 32nd Pioneers, aged 25 years.

The Bombay Gazette

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1889.

WE published a day or two since a letter addressed by the Acting Secretary to Government to Mr. N. T. Moolji, who memorialised the Government complaining of the harsh censure by the Director of Public Instruction of his action in distributing as prizes in aided girls' schools the "Mirror of Womanly Duties." This book had been severely criticised by certain missionary papers in Bombay, whose unsparing denunciations had found their way into one or two American prints, where they attracted the eye of Mr. Stead, of the *Pall Mall Gazette*. That guardian of the proprieties at once republished certain passages under the striking heading "The Whole Duty of Woman: Official Programme of the Bombay Government." The "official" character of the book was inferred by the London editor from the fact that it had been distributed as a prize to the girls attending the non-Government schools in Bombay. The most essential part of a good lie, according to Mr. Hamerton in his "French and English," is the particle of truth which gives it plausibility. A Deputy Inspector of the Education Department had been asked by the donor of the book to furnish the names of the non-Government girls' schools, and the request was complied with without thought of harm. This act of civility could only be regarded as a Governmental imprimatur by a stretch of imagination, but a certain elasticity is allowable to those who lay themselves out for effect in the newer, as in the older, journalism of the great Metropolis. The book in question had been torn to pieces by the reverend editor of the *Bombay Guardian*—the formidable censor who made mincemeat of the moral character of two Viceroys in the course of a single fortnight and who has proved the editors of the English papers in India to be hopelessly reprobate.

This might be borne, but the statement that the book was the official programme of the Bombay Government—thereby insinuating that the said Government really believed and desired to impress on the girls in the public schools that a woman who did not share her sweetmeats with her husband would be turned into a screech owl or a hyena in the future life, naturally made a deep impression on the mind of the Director of Public Instruction. He was indignant that such a damaging imputation should have been cast on the local Government through what he conceived to be the complicity of one of the Departmental subordinates in the publication of an improper book. With a chivalrous desire to vindicate the reputation of Lord Reay's Government—whose honour every loyal chief of a department regards as his own—Mr. Chatfield fulminated an official anathema at the book and its distributors. A severe departmental wigging was administered to the Deputy Inspector, Mr. V. S. Desai, whose only part in the affair was the compliance with the request of Mr. N. T. Moolji for a list of the Bombay girls' schools. Unsparing censure was emphasised by the threat that the Deputy Inspector would be dismissed from the service upon a repetition of the offence which it was assumed he had committed. In August last, when these facts had already found their way into print, we were at the pains to procure a copy of the book and submit it to the test of impartial examination. The result showed that the character of the book had been misunderstood and misrepresented. The misapprehension might easily have been avoided. The circumstances under which the book was compiled and distributed, of themselves should have counselled a little discretion. Mr. Narandas T. Thakersey Moolji, a Bhattia merchant of wealth and respectability, had the misfortune to lose his daughter, and with a view to perpetuate her memory, he caused to be printed four hundred copies of a book called the *Stri Dharma Prakash*, a compendium of the female virtues honored amongst Hindus. The book was dedicated to the "Chaste Inhabitant of Heaven Gokeebai." The book consists of moral maxims, apologues, and stories taken chiefly from the Puranas. As we stated, after due examination of the book, the ideal of womanly duty exemplified is that of Oriental communities, and to the modern European must be strange and repugnant. Precept and example teach the importance of abject submission of the wife to her husband to a degree which would have satisfied Milton in his most exacting moods. As God is to man, so is man to his wife. This rule of three works out awkwardly, but is in itself immoral. Unfriendly and biassed critics fastened unfairly on the story of the Chaste Wife who carried her husband, who was a cripple, through the darkness of the night, to the house of a dancing-girl of whom he had become enamoured; and this was represented as teaching a low morality. The point and pathos of the story are outside and beyond the incident which leads to the terrible dilemma in which the Chaste Wife finds herself. The curse of the Holy Man who, when sitting impaled in the market-place, has his sufferings increased by the accidental touch of her husband in passing dooms the husband to death before sunrise. So potent is the mystic spell of the Perfect Wife that she is able to prolong her husband's life by forbidding the sun to rise and suspending the whole business of the world.

It was not consistent with the purpose of hostile critics to dwell upon this story in its better aspect, giving a striking example of the strength of wifely devotion, and no one need be surprised that they made the best or the worst use they could of the opportunity. It is to be regretted that the Director of Public Instruction, usually so careful to keep aloof from matters of controversy, should have allowed himself to be carried off his feet in this business. He pronounced the book to be immoral, censured the Deputy Inspector as a party to its distribution, and further declared that any aided school would be erased from the Government list if the book were given as a prize to its pupils. Naturally this fulmination created a feeling of widespread indignation, amongst the Bhattia community, whose daughters were thus by implication charged with acceptance and approval of objectionable literature. The story of the self-denying spouse and the Brahmin is one of the best known in the Sacred Books, and is read and commented upon, like the other legendary stories, for edification in every temple. To stigmatise such a book and to declare in the name of the Government that its distribution in the schools is a punishable offence, is really to play into the hands of those adverse to the cause of female education. There is now, and has been for some time past, a movement of reaction in the native community against the education of girls, as dangerous to faith and morals, and tending to undermine the traditional respect of wives for their husbands. An incident of this kind would be welcomed and be made full use of by the conservative element in Hindu circles to discredit girls' schools as places in which orthodox religious teaching was shut out by Government action. The Bombay Government has very wisely disclaimed any desire to arrogate to itself a right to exercise a censorship over Hindu works of edification. Mr. Narrandas is informed that the Government does not doubt that his motive in distributing the "Mirror of Womanly Duties" was benevolent and praiseworthy. Mr. Monteath is directed to say that, however opposed to English notions of delicacy and edification certain passages may be, the book is not to be condemned as essentially immoral or pernicious to the class for whose use it is intended. This reassuring declaration of the opinion of Government is in strict accordance with the well-considered policy laid down in the fundamental educational despatch of 1854, and insisted upon and strengthened in subsequent State documents. It is stated in the most absolute terms that in the aided schools there shall be no interference whatever by Government Inspectors with such religious teaching as the founders and managers of the aided schools may desire to give. The Despatch of the Court of Directors to the Governor-General of India, dated the 19th July 1854, gave the reasons for the course prescribed, and ever since strenuously impressed on all the local Governments. It stated with great precision that the most effectual method of providing for the educational wants of India will be to combine with the agency of the Government the exertions and liberality of the educated and wealthy natives of India and of other benevolent persons. And in order to secure their co-operation, the system of grants-in-aid "will be based on an entire abstinence from interference with the religious instruction conveyed in the schools assisted." It is further laid down, and the words are italicised in the Despatch, that the Inspectors shall take no notice of the religious doctrines taught in the aided schools. "In their periodical inspections *no notice whatsoever* should be taken by them of the religious doctrines with may be taught in any school." This sound principle was lost sight of by Mr. Chatfield when declaring the aided schools would be struck off the list if a book containing Sacred Stories from the Puranas were distributed as prizes to the scholars.

THE suggestion has been made that Mr. Stanley, after he has rested from the fatigues of travel and rescue work, should undertake the supervision of the great enterprise of the British East Africa Company. As Mr. Mackinnon and the capitalists chiefly concerned in the Company's under taking have borne the greater part of the cost of the Emin Relief Expedition, Mr. Stanley may be said to have been for the past three years in their service, and no one is more likely to be able to appreciate his capacity for the special work that the Company has in hand than its directors. The suggestion, however, goes further than this. It has been proposed, in view of the large Indian interests that must shortly be established in Mombassa and the country adjacent, that the working of the Company's Charter should be placed under the political oversight of the Government of India. The suggestion, it need hardly be said, has originated in England and not in this country, where, assuming that the supervision of the Charter should be transferred from the Foreign Office to India at all, people would have been careful to discriminate between the claims of the Government of India and those of the Government of Bombay to have African territory brought under their influence. Without pronouncing off-hand on the propriety of having the oversight of the East African Company's operations entrusted to any Indian administration whatever, we should say that if the supervising authority is to be in India, it should be not upon the Supreme Government but upon the Government of Bombay that the responsibility should be placed. And this for many reasons for which we have not far to seek. First amongst them would be proximity and frequency of intercourse between this Presidency and East Africa. Then there is the peculiar nature of the Indian commercial interests in Africa. All along the coast of the continent, from Natal past Mozambique and Zanzibar as far north even as Suakim, there are colonies of Indian traders, and these are almost invariably Bombay men or subjects of States politically under the influence of the Bombay Government. Whether they are Banyas or Memons this is true of almost all of them, and it is practically certain that if large Indian colonies, commercial or agricultural, should take root in the territories of the Company, the bulk of them will be directly or indirectly of Bombay origin. Then there is the special experience the Bombay officers have acquired in that part of the world. The administration of the Somali Coast, for instance, has fallen exclusively to Bombay officers working at or dependant upon Aden, and if any direct Government supervision at all is to be exercised over the country, a point upon which we do not wish to pronounce, it is difficult to think that any officers under the Government of India would be so well fitted for the work as those Bombay officers whom service under the Aden Residency has prepared for it. Historical precedents, perhaps, are not very instructive on the subject. But it is worth noting that sixty years ago the Government of Bombay treated East Africa as a country rightly coming very much under its influence. In 1829, when the local Chief at Mombassa tried to throw off the suzerainty of the Sultan of Zanzibar, a small force was sent from Bombay to take possession of the place, and for some months the British flag flew at Mombassa. We were very near establishing a British dependency there which would have left small room for East Africa Companies, English or German, and the history of East Africa would have been very different from what it has been if the Governor of Bombay of that time, anxious to retain the friendship of the Sultan of Zanzibar, had not recalled the garrison from Mombassa. Perhaps there is no reason to regret that decision. But there might be reason for regret if the new British interests in Africa which are to grow up under the Company's Charter were to grow up under the ill-instructed and inefficient oversight of Indian officials to whom African questions are new and unfamiliar.

CEYLON, like Bombay, has had to legislate in restraint of gambling. But Ceylon has had difficulties of its own in dealing with the evil, just as Bombay has when the High Court decides that rain-gauge betting is not included in the prohibitions of the existing law. Cock-fighting seems to be a popular amusement in Ceylon, and the new law, re-enacting on that point an ordinance nearly fifty years old, declares it to be unlawful whether for a stake or not. But they are not particularly logical in Ceylon. It seems that the natives of that happy island, besides taking delight in cock-fighting, are given to ram fighting as well, the rams, we are told, being specially imported by the Mahomedan settlers from the Indian Coast. The new law appears to make no provision against that form of amusement, the Government being content to rely upon the general law against cruelty to animals. Ram fighting, apparently, will therefore be lawful or unlawful in Ceylon according to circumstances. If the owners of combatant rams bet upon the battle, it will be a contravention of the Gaming Act. If they do not bet, but if they allow their rams to fight with sufficient energy to hurt themselves, then the law of cruelty comes in. If they neither bet nor allow the animals to hurt themselves they are held to be honest sportsmen against whom no one would complain, and the fight is supposed to be to the edification of all men. There is much insular liberty about this—much faith too in the gentleness of the Ceylon professional prize-fighting ram, who may be presumed to be the mildest mannered animal that ever stepped into the arena—to fight, too, with padded horns and cushioned forehead, and to butt softly against his opponent lest perchance he should hurt him. The Ceylon Legislature should nevertheless, have made some provision against the contingency of cruelty, such, for example, as a clause empowering an injured ram to lay information before the nearest magistrate against an antagonist who may happen to have hurt him in a fair stand-up fight. As it is the author of the new law seems to have presumed too much upon the silence of an injured ram. "The men like it, the horses like it, and the dogs like it, and the fox does not complain" is an apology for fox-hunting which seems to have been applied with the necessary variation to the case of the rollicking rams of Ceylon.

IT will be seen from an announcement in another column that the dates for Lady Reay's Fancy Fair in aid of the Dufferin Fund have been fixed for the 26th, 27th, and 28th February, and the 1st March.

T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, having left Ahmedabad by the mail train on Friday night, arrived in Bombay on Saturday morning. Their Royal Highnesses left the same forenoon for Poona. A salute of fifteen guns was fired from the saluting battery at the time of arrival and departure of the Duke of Connaught.

A TELEGRAM was received at the Salvation Army Head-quarters in Bombay, on Saturday, from London, stating that Mrs. Booth, the wife of General Booth, is on the point of death. Mrs. Booth has for some months been suffering from an incurable disease.

THE Hon'ble Mr. Justice Candy has left for Rajkote, and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Scott for Nasick, to pass the Christmas vacation.

THE Leper Bill, introduced this Session, will deal only with vagrants and those willing to be treated in hospitals. A wider measure will probably be delayed until after the Royal Commission has reported on the subject.

SIR CHARLES CROSTHWAITE means to take up at once the question of a possible reduction of the military police in Upper Burma. The numbers of the force are not likely, however, to be reduced largely, pending the consideration of the scheme for converting the police battalions into local regiments.

THE vacancy on the Legislative Council, due to Mr. Maneckji Petit's retirement at the end of the year, will be filled from Bombay, Lord Reay being asked to nominate a member.

GENERAL NAIRNE, Inspector-General of Artillery, having completed his tour in Northern India, proceeds shortly from Calcutta to the Madras Presidency to visit the Artillery Camp of Exercise there.

SIR ROB

TELEGRAMS.

[CENTRAL NEWS TELEGRAMS.]

RELEASE OF MR. O'BRIEN.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Mr. O'Brien was released from prison to-day.

GUNPOWDER EXPLOSION IN RUSSIA.

An explosion has occurred in an Artillery Magazine at Baku.

Four men were killed, and many injured.

ABANDONMENT OF RAILWAY PROJECTS IN CHINA.

All railway projects in China have been abandoned.

Political intrigues as well as popular opposition are said to have been the cause.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR'S RETURN.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

An official denial is given to the report that Prince Albert Victor will return to England earlier than was originally intended.

REACTION AGAINST THE REPUBLIC IN BRAZIL.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Advices from Rio say that a mutinous spirit has shown itself in the army, that riotous scenes are frequent, and that an outbreak seems imminent. Many arrests have been made.

A REPUBLICAN AGITATION IN PORTUGAL.

The Republican party in Portugal have issued a manifesto, advocating the abolition of the Monarchy.

LETTER FROM MR. STANLEY.

LONDON. Dec. 21.

A letter has been received from Mr. Stanley in which he denies the allegations of cruelty by the late Major Bartellot and Mr. Jameson.

SENSATIONAL DIVORCE CASE.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Captain French-Brewster, formerly of the Dragoon Guards, has petitioned for the divorce of his wife on the ground of her adultery in Dublin and elsewhere with Captain Ormesby Gore, of the 13th Hussars, Aide-de-Camp to Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar.

Mrs. French-Brewster filed a counter-petition praying for divorce on the ground of desertion and adultery.

The hearing occupied five days, and the evidence was highly sensational. The witnesses included Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar and numerous society leaders.

The verdict was given in favour of the wife on all the issues.

THE ANGLO-PORTUGUESE DISPUTE.

MEN-OF-WAR ORDERED TO DELAGOA BAY.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

H. M. S. Raleigh, Curacoa, and Brisk have been ordered from Cape Town to Delagoa Bay.

DEATH OF THE BISHOP OF DURHAM.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Dr. Lightfoot, Bishop of Durham, is dead.

A PORTUGUESE SOUTH AFRICAN COMPANY.

A Portuguese South African Company has been formed with a capital of one million for the purpose of developing the Zambesi and Nyassa territories.

THE STRANDING OF THE WATCHFUL,

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Lieutenant Sharp and Commander Furlonger have been reprimanded by court-martial for the stranding of the Watchful.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

LORD SALISBURY ON THE NYASSALAND QUESTION.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

This morning, it is stated, that Lord Salisbury has sent a vigorous note to Portugal regarding the Nyassaland Question. He demands that Portugal should repudiate Major Serpa Pinto's action and he requires the restoration of the *status quo ante*.

PORTUGUESE REPUBLICAN COMMOTION.

LISBON, Dec. 20.

Owing to the late events in Brazil the Portuguese Republicans have decided to issue a manifesto to the country Reu.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S HEALTH.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.

It is officially announced that his Majesty Emperor William was confined to his bed for the last two days owing to feverish symptoms and cold, his Majesty is better to-day.

A SUB-MARINE VESSEL.

TOULON, Dec. 20.

Trials have been made here to-day of a submarine vessel of French construction, which proved to be a remarkable success. The vessel steers perfectly and passes easily beneath ironclads.

OPENING OF FIRE TEMPLE AND TOWER OF SILENCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BUDNERA, Dec. 21.

The Hon. Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit, arrived here this afternoon to join in the opening and foundation ceremonies of the new fire-temple and tower of silence. At the station he was most cordially received by the Sirdar Khan Bahadur Dastur Dr. Hoshungji Jamaspji, high priest of the Parsees in the Deccan, by all the Zoroastrians and members of Municipality, and by the leading native merchants and gentry of the station. Sir Dinshaw, his son Mr. Bomanji, his grandson Mr. Maneckji and his other friends remain as the guests of Mr. Jehangir Hormusji Mody, agent of Berar Manufacturing Company's Mill here. The road from the station to the mill was gaily decorated with flags and bunting, and arches with inscriptions "Charity," "Honesty," "Long Life and Prosperity," "Welcome to the Hon. Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit, Knight." He was all the way cheered by the mill-hands.

LATER.

The opening ceremony of the fire temple was performed to-day by Sirdar Khan Bahadur Dastur Dr. Hoshungji Jamaspji, aided by Dastur Bymonji Jamaspji, C.I.E., in the presence of Sir Dinshaw and about two hundred Parsee ladies and gentlemen. At the conclusion the learned Dastur preached an eloquent sermon on the expediency of establishing a fire temple and for offering prayers to God therein. Subsequently a list was circulated amongst those present to raise a fund for the maintenance of a fire temple to which rupees 3,000 were subscribed on the spot. The foundation ceremony of the tower of silence will be performed to-morrow.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Dec. 22.

Friday night's ball was a great success. The Prince took Mrs. Norton, the wife of the chairman of the Reception Committee, to supper, and stayed till after one o'clock. On Saturday morning the Prince visited the Shoay Dagon Pagoda, attended only by a few officials. The Pagoda trustees received him, and only Burmese were admitted. An enormous gathering had assembled on the platform, resthouses, and trees, the walls and roofs being packed with a brilliantly-dressed and be-jewelled crowd of Burmese ladies and gentlemen, who came from all parts of the province to attend the ceremony. Most perfect order prevailed, although fewer police than usual were on duty. The Prince spent a long time inspecting the shrines, wood-carvings, bells, &c. In the afternoon thousands of people assembled at the Royal Lakes to witness the Burmese sports. The Prince was ferried across the lake in a gorgeous barge of superior design and decoration, even to those which used to be prepared for the Burmese kings. The barge was towed by three Burmese racing boats, filled with men singing an appropriate ode, composed for the occasion. Coming across, the Prince had a splendid view of the assembled multitude, and the Shoay Dagon Pagoda, towering above the trees like a blaze of gold in the evening sun, the whole forming a spectacle such as he has not seen during his Indian tour. The Prince first witnessed the boat-racing, and presented a silk flag to the winning boat of the Regatta. The match took place between four members of the Rangoon Boat Club in a gig *vs.* twenty-nine Burmans in a canoe, the former winning by a length amidst great cheering. The Prince afterwards witnessed the Poays, Burmese foot-ball, boxing, &c., and then drove off to Government House, where a large dinner-party was given by Sir Charles and Lady Crosthwaite. In the evening the Prince attended a grand illumination and firework display at the lakes, in connection with the opening of the drainage and high-pressure water-works. This morning he drove round the suburbs and attended the Cantonment Church, at which the Bishop preached. The Prince dines quietly with General Gordon, Commanding Burma.

THE GOVERNOR IN AHMEDABAD.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 22.

The day before yesterday their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught left Ahmedabad, and a busy day was brought to a close by a dinner party at Mr. James's, where it is needless to say everything was arranged so as to please the numerous guests who had accepted the invitation of the hospitable Collector Yesterday his Excellency took advantage of a free morning to visit Sarkhej and the places of interest in the vicinity, and returned at about twelve o'clock. At four o'clock everybody in Ahmedabad was outside the Jamalpur gate to see his Excellency turn the first sod of the drainage works. As usual the route was, in places, gaily decorated, and several mottoes and designs welcomed the distinguished guests. A tastefully-decorated mandap had been erected at the spot the ceremony was to be performed, and all arrangements in connection with the accommodation of visitors were perfect. This ceremony, though by no means the least brilliant of those that have been performed in the city during the past week, had a tinge of sadness, owing to its being the very last occasion on which Ahmedabad will see our popular Governor in public, and also to the lamented death of Mr. Becherdas Ambaidas, C. S. I., which took place early on Friday morning, and which was referred to in the course of the evening by Mr. James and his Excellency the Governor, who both referred in very feeling terms to the benevolent and philanthropic character of the deceased gentleman. On their Excellencies arriving, Mr. James begged permission to say a few words, which on being granted, he thanked their Excellencies for the trouble they had taken in attending the functions of the past week. Mr. Ranchorelal Chotalal, accompanied by the Municipal Commissioners, then advanced to the foot of the dais and read an address, which gave the history of the drainage scheme in Ahmedabad, and in which it was calculated that great good would result to the city, both financially and physically, by the introduction of the drainage. He then invited his Excellency to turn the first sod. Lord Reay then descended the dais and approached the spot where the "first sod" was, and being provided with a highly finished brass "powra" with richly-carved stained wood handle of local manufacture, turned the sod in a very workmanlike manner. He then deposited it in a highly-carved blackwood trencher, bound in brass, which with the "powra" were presented to his Excellency. His Excellency in a very felicitous speech thanked Mr. James and those present for their kind wishes and assured them that it had given him the greatest pleasure to have been enabled to take part in the ceremonies at Ahmedabad, as each one of them had been connected with some practical result for the benefit of the people.

THE BENGAL PRESIDENCY R. A. CHAMPIONSHIP.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 22.

The Bengal Presidency Rifle Association Championship has been won this year by Private Flynn, of the Connaught Rangers, with 272 points out of a possible 315.

INSTALLATION OF THE MAHARAJA OF BENARES.

The Maharaja of Benares was formally installed by Sir Auckland Colvin on Saturday, in the presence of a great gathering, including the Rajas of Hutwa and Dumraon.

LAYING OF A FOUNDATION-STONE.

Sir Auckland on Monday lays the foundation-stone of the Victoria Hospital.

THE 18TH HUSSARS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MHOW, Dec. 20.

The head-quarters of the 18th Hussars arrived here this morning.

OFFICERS ON TOUR OF INSPECTION.

Colonel Badcock, Commissary-General-in-Chief; Colonel Luckhardt, Commissary-General, Bombay Army; and Colonel Gough, Inspector-General of Cavalry; arrived this evening on tour of inspection.

THE HON. MR. CHILDERS, M.P.

The Hon'ble Mr. Childers and Mrs. Childers are shortly expected here.

SIR DINSHAW PETIT IN AKOLA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AKOLA, Dec. 20.

The Hon. Sir Dinshaw Petit arrived here yesterday, and was received on the station by the whole of the Parsi community. He was the guest of Dustoor Bymanjee Jamaspjee, C.I.E. Sir Dinshaw visited the Cotton Market, and the European Club, and received an address from the members of the Native General Library. He left for Budnera with the best wishes of the community.

PROPOSED PRESENTATION TO MR. BRADLAUGH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ELLORE, Dec. 21.

At a public meeting held to-day it was resolved to present an address of welcome and an Ellore carpet to Mr. Bradlaugh in appreciation of his services. The following delegates were elected for the Congress:—Messrs. Uyapathy Subbarao Puntulu, Kommu Subbraya Sastri, Ira Yerramilli, Vinkatachellum Sacripella, Samba Sivarao Somanchi, Bhima Senkaram Udayagiri, Gopalratnam Dasu, Sriramulu Ivaturi, Sangamayya Ganjam, Venkataratnam Devarakonda Subrahmanyam, and Pumyamurtula Kristramraz.

H. M. S. BOADICEA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 22.

The s.s. Boadicea left here yesterday for Trincomalee.

LORD CONNEMARA ON TOUR.

H. E. the Governor of Madras arrived at Cocoanada yesterday.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES IN CALCUTTA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22.

Lord Radstock and Canon Wilberforce are here. The latter, who is very much of an invalid, is not expected to speak, while among us. Lord Radstock attended two meetings and addressed the audience.

THE BISHOP OF MYLAPORE.

The Bishop of Mylapore, attended by his secretary, chaplain, and scholastic, has arrived. His Lordship intends establishing an orphanage for girls at Bandel, near Hoogly, one of the oldest Catholic establishments in India, dating centuries back.

THE CALCUTTA NAVAL VOLUNTEERS.

On Friday the Calcutta Naval Volunteers had a capital field-day. A detachment of the Calcutta Light Horse, under the command of Sir Alex. Wilson, charged down upon the guns with a view of capturing them. The Naval Volunteers manœvred admirably, and the General commanding the Presidency complimented the battery on their success.

EXECUTION OF SEWBURRUCK NAPIER.

Sewburruck Napier, who was convicted of murder at the last Criminal Sessions, was executed yesterday morning. He was very penitent and acknowledged the justice of the sentence, and did not show the least sign of emotion.

COLLISION ON THE RIVER.

On Friday evening a collision took place on the river between the Indian Marine steamer Panther and the steam launch Maud, in which the latter went down immediately, and a lad was drowned.

A NAWAB IN TROUBLE.

Yesterday the Chief Presidency Magistrate granted a summons against a nawab at Moradabad, for criminally enticing the wife of a respectable Mahomedan merchant in Calcutta, and with the theft of a landau, and three horses. It is a highly sensational case.

THE CALCUTTA RACES.

At the Calcutta races the Grand Stand was literally crowded, and those who got no room were obliged to promenade the lawn. The party from Government House and Sir Steuart Bayley, together with the *elite* of Calcutta, were present.

FIRST RACE.—Satellite took the lead, followed by Dispute and Field, Harvester taking a prominent place among the latter. Dispute ultimately came to the front, and at once landed as winner; Satellite, second; and Harvester third.

SECOND RACE.—At the capital start Prince took the lead and maintained it throughout. Farud attempted to come on even terms with the winner but failed; Euclid third.

THIRD RACE.—This being a mile-race, all horses were well to the front, and passed the winning post in a group, Pennant showing in front, followed by Camillas and Paladin.

FOURTH RACE.—The lot was sent off at a straggling start, but Engadine showed in front and came away from the rest an easy winner.

FIFTH RACE.—Chester showed to the front, followed by Magistrate and Silver King.

SIXTH RACE.—Little Prince, Sparkle, and Bonaccord kept well together till the distance-post, when the first-named won by a length.

A LADY DELEGATE FOR CONGRESS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RAJAHMUNDRY, Dec. 20.

At a widow marriage association meeting, held on the 14th instant, Messrs. N. Subbarau B.A. B.L., and sister of Paganadha Sastry were elected delegates to represent the Association at the Social Conference in Bombay.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, Dec. 20.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s s. s. Labourdonnais reached here to-day at 2 p.m.

COLOMBO, Dec. 22.

French mail steamer Djemnah from China arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

Good Dhollera	4½d.
The Manchester Market was quiet but steady.	
7 lbs. Shirtings	5 1½
8¼ " "	6 4
40s Mule Twist	9½
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 4 11-16d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account	97⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	87½
4 per cent. Rupee paper	69
4½ per cent. "	71⅞
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	107⅛
Bar Silver	44d. per oz.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

Total Week's sales of Cotton	52,000	bales.
" " " Surats	5,000	"
" " Import of Cotton	131,000	"
" " " Surats	Nill	"
" " Stock of Cotton	798,000	"
" " " Surats	112,000	"
" Stock of Cotton in London.	15,000	"

SAD FATALITY NEAR DHARWAR.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. C. Brereton, Executive Engineer, Dharwar, was killed on the 19th instant by the accidental explosion of his rifle at a place called Yalvige, some distance from Dharwar, where he was on tour.

He had left his rifle loaded in the corner of the room of the bungalow where he was staying, and either forgetting that it was loaded or not thinking of the danger, he took hold of the rifle to examine it before going out shooting. He was holding it by the right hand, and with the left hand had just taken off the small cloth-cap which covered the rifle, when it suddenly exploded and the charge with which it was loaded struck him and blew the roof of his skull off. It is supposed the hammer of the rifle caught the edge of the door or in his clothes.

Mr. Brereton was very popular and was liked by all who knew him, and his sad end is greatly regretted. He was buried in the Dharwar cemetery on the 20th.

A PLEA FOR THE MAMLATDARS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The summary manner in which the petitions for fair-play made by some of the deluded witnesses in the Crawford case have been met by the Government of India, does not impress me with a high estimate of the sense of justice of that august body. To take only Bapat's case. Mr. Bapat, being the Commissioner's subordinate, stated in his evidence that he lent the latter money amounting to Rs. 1,500, in two sums, because he was asked to do so. He does not admit that he did it with a view to getting any appointment, and there is no other evidence except his own, which was disbelieved by the sagacious Mr. Justice Wilson and his colleagues. Why should it be inferred he paid for any favour, or on the promise of any. The natural explanation of the transaction, that a native subordinate was afraid to refuse a favour to his superior officer, is the obvious one. The latter's conduct in borrowing was reprehensible enough, the lender was only frail and is to be pitied rather than blamed. This is surely too large a deduction that a man who complies with a request for a loan from an official superior is corrupt and unfit to hold high office. The truth probably is that the Government of India has been set an uncongenial (really an impossible) task by the Secretary of State, and is only anxious to get it done with and hear no more of it. But it is not reasonable to deal with a question affecting the whole future of men's lives, their character, reputation, and peace of mind in this way—to blast a man's prospects with an unfair deduction from an admission made in evidence in an important trial, and to try him, as it were, summarily, when the sentence is so heavy. The despatches of the Government of India have been unworthy of the magnitude of the interests with which they deal and of its own reputation. To put it in a doggrel address to the Viceroy—

> "Your Lyall, my Lord, is not much of a catch,
> For his style with the matter ill matches
> And in giving your subjects the happy Despatch
> He does *not* write happy Despatches."

MAMLATDAR.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR AT PORBANDAR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

PORBANDAR, Dec. 20.

Porbandar is blest, or was blest on this occasion, with a pleasant sea breeze, which somewhat mitigated the effect of the sun's rays. Lord Reay was, as usual, afoot betimes, and drove out with Major Hunter and Mr. Kennedy to inspect the model farm, which has been lately started under Mr. Lely's auspices. His Excellency was much interested in some experiments in ensilagé which were being tried. The silo is not under but above ground, and the grass is kept together by wires tightly screwed round it. After inspecting the other objects of interest on the farm, his Excellency drove to the docks in order to judge for himself of the capabilities of Porbandar as a port, and then returned to Mr. Kennedy. After breakfast he received a visit from the Rana Sahib, who was accompanied by his grandson. The next incident was the opening of the new Mussulman School, which has just been completed. There was a good gathering in a large shamiana, but at this time of day, 12-30 p.m., the sun was rather powerful, and we were glad the proceedings did not take very long. They began by Mr. Kennedy stating the object of the day's ceremony as follows:—He said that the Mussulmen of Porbandar being desirous of commemorating the Jubilee year of her Most Gracious Majesty's reign, decided to do so by building a Madressa, the existing one being too small for their wants, and to this end they contributed Rs. 10,000. The State aided by adding a substantial contribution, and on the 17th February 1887, the celebration day of the Royal Jubilee, Mr. Lely laid the foundation-stone. Permission was obtained to call the building the Victoria Jubilee Madrassa, and by this name it will be known in future. The building was designed by Mr. Chisholm, the well-known architect, and its construction has been throughout in the hands of Mr. Sandford, the State Engineer. Next a deputation, consisting of Messrs. Karam Tarmahomed, Beg Mahomed Jhiva, Jama Adam, and Suliman Karam, who read the following address:—

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Reay, LL.D., G.C.I.E., Governor and President in Council, Bombay.

May it please your Excellency—On this auspicious occasion we, the leading members, on behalf of the whole Mahomedan community of this town, as in duty bound, first of all, beg to accord our special and hearty welcome to your Excellency, and to evince our sincere feelings of the gratitude, devotion, and loyalty towards our Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress and to your Excellency's noble self, as one of her August Majesty's highest representatives. Your Excellency is aware that the splendid edifice, which now here greets our view in a state of completion was determined to be built in commemoration of the grand, auspicious, memorable, and solemn occasion of the celebration of the Jubilee ceremony of our Most August and Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress, and that its foundation-stone was then laid in the midst of that happy general rejoicing. To perpetuate that solemn and happiest event the more substantially, it was further determined that the building shall be called the "Victoria Jubilee Mahomedan Madrassa." And now we are extremely grateful to your Excellency for all the troubles you have undergone down as far as Porbandar, for which we entertain firm hopes will conduce to impart a stimulus to the mental culture of our boys. This act of kindness on your Excellency's part, of which we are proud to be the happy recipients, shall be cheerfully remembered, with the highest sense of gratitude, by the whole Mahomedan community here. Please allow us to express here our heartfelt acknowledgment that your Excellency's benign sway over us has been characterized by affording a wholesome impetus to education throughout this presidency, which is the first and essential step towards the welfare of human beings, and we, indeed, feel highly flattered to see your Excellency in our midst to impart that stimulus to our community here. With our earnest prayer to the Almighty for your Excellency's longevity and prosperity, which we consider essential for the furtherance of the interest of us all, we beg to conclude with the following eulogistic stanzas:—

"Your Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Reay,
Your career is marked by laudable acts,
and to you every people says you are welcome!
You are welcome!
Your Excellency is kindly disposed towards your subjects;
They, of all descriptions, have been largely profited by education,
And everywhere education has been the theme of vital interest.
The fountain of knowledge which has lately been laid open will largely enrich and benefit those who have not drank at it up to now,
Kazi Ismail, also, gets his cup of felicity from the very fountain."

His Excellency, in reply, said:—

Rana Sahib, Major Hunter, Captain Kennedy, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—It always gives me the greatest pleasure to open schools intended for Mahomedans. Sometime since I opened a Madressa in Sind. Now I have equal satisfaction in opening one in Kathiawar, and I shall I hope before I leave the country have the pleasure of laying the foundation-stone of the Anjuman-i-Islam School in Bombay. This Madrassa commemorates in Porbandar the most auspicious Jubilee of our Queen-Empress, and I shall not fail to convey to her Majesty, through H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, that the loyal Mahomedans of Porbandar have erected this most fitting memorial. In the design of this building you have wisely consulted one of the best architects on this side of India, my friend, Mr. Chisholm, whose architectural skill is evident in all his works, of which I hope to see further instances when I have the pleasure later on of visiting his Highness the Gaekwar at Baroda. I must congratulate Mr. Sandford in the way in which he has carried out this design, one of the many public buildings which attest the beneficent presence of English architects in Kathiawar. The Mahomedans like to have their own schools, and in this they display a taste-idiosyncracy, very like ourselves in England. We, too, prefer to have schools in which our own religious ideas are included. My late friend the Right Hon'ble W. E. Forster in his eloquent speeches in the Education Bill laid great stress on this points, *viz.*, the immense importance attached to religious teaching in England, and you, Mahomedans, may depend upon it that the British Government knows how to appropriate your desire to have your children brought up in your own faith. Here, in Porbandar you are fortunate in so far that the Mahomedans are largely recruited from the mercantile class,—and the fair leading men of your community are also among the largest contributors to the school, so that I suppose, in your name, I may say that these four gentlemen deserve the thanks of the Mahomedans of Porbandar. You have been able to collect Rs. 10,000. This is a very considerable sum for such a small town. The State gives you Rs. 5,000 more, and I understand you intend that the school should be self-supporting. In this you are very different from the Presidency proper, where there are very few unaided schools. That excellent work, the educational report of the Presidency shows but very few figures in the column under the head of unaided schools. This school will stand on its own legs, and I wish it a long life. Allow me to say a few words to you as to the knowledge of English. I think it is most important specially in a community, of traders as at Porbandar that you should not allow the education of your children to cease here, and should go on and complete your work by establishing scholarships, so that your most deserving boys may be enabled to go elsewhere, for that knowledge of English which is so absolutely essential to the rising generation. I do not wish my Mahomedan friends to be backward. Mr. Haridas, who his here to-day, will tell you that his Chief, who is one of your great princes, and his uncle Bhawadeen are doing what they can for Mahomedan children in Junaghad in giving them English instruction. Captain Kennedy made some remarks about your quarries. A large part of the State revenues is drawn from the quarries, and I hope that Captain Kennedy will be able to devise means for placing their working on a business-like footing, so that we should not see inferior stone taken from other part of the province, simply because means are not available here for shaping the stone as required for trade. This demands an early remedy. Your quarries give you your raw materials, and raw materials is the chief source of wealth, whether your raw material be horse, or cow, or stone. It is undoubtedly wrong not to make the best use of it, so whether it be a stallion or bull or stone in quarries, get hold of the best man to look after the work of their production. Captain Kennedy is fully alive to this, and will, I know, employ every means to use your Porbandar stone to better advantage in the future, for neither Kathiawar nor Bombay can get on without it. Another matter of importance was mentioned by Captain Kennedy—your want of artists. Italy was at one time foremost in the domain of art. She is not so at the present day when England must be said to possess the best sculptors and painters of the world. This is a question of original genius. You cannot create original genius at your will, but I have very little doubt that here in Porbandar, as elsewhere in India, your original genius to be formed if you look well for him, requiring only development. Italy had her stores of stones, her beautiful Canara marble, and this possession led to the growth of a great race of sculptors. You, too, have got marble of another kind. Mr. Lely thought of this, and put himself through Major Gardiner, in communication with a member of the Civil Service, Mr. Grouse, who believes in the native. Now Porbandar is not without artisans, in whom there is a latent artistic talent. Unfortunately they are rather irregular in their method of labor and require training. Now the State might send some lads of promise to the Bombay School of Art, and I am sure my friend Mr. Griffiths will welcome them, and will send them back to you fit to conjure with the beautiful Porbandar stone and to erect lasting trophies of native skill and art. Many from Northern India have worked out specimen of what can be done by natives of this country, and I shall be glad to see members of your community coming forward to take their place in their rank. I saw some excellent beginnings of forests and model-farming made by Mr. Lily, and a new silo experiment of which I shall expect to hear the result with much interest. Mr. Lely has evidently worked hard in many directions, and everywhere there are signs of his well-directed activity. I have now only to bid farewell to Porbandar, and to assure you of my best wishes for the happiness of its Chief and of its people.

His Excellency then proceeded to open the school by unlocking a plated padlock with a silver key, which was presented to him as a *memento* of the day's proceedings, which terminated with the customary presentation of garlands, &c. In the afternoon his Excellency paid a return visit to H. H. the Rana Saheb, who received him in his palace in the city. The durbar-room was eminently characteristic of a Chief of the old school, painted in gold, red, and green, with no German prints and no modern furniture. The ascent to it was of a somewhat acrobatic nature, the staircase resembling a ladder leading up to a hay loft, but the venerable Chief accomplishes it easily every day of his life. From this his Excellency drove to the station, and after taking leave of the Rana and the assembled ladies and gentlemen left by special train at 4 p.m. for Ahmedabad, stopping at Jetalsar for dinner. At Wadhwan his Excellency was met by the Thakor Sahib, who had provided breakfast, and the Chief of Lakhtar. Here we parted with Major Gardiner, and continued our journey on the B. B. and C. I railway. At Viramgaum the Governor was met by a deputation of the Municipality, who were introduced to him by Mr. Sladen, Assistant Collector, and an address was presented. This address evinced a most contented spirit, which was as satisfactory as it was unusual. In Viramgaum everything seems to be for the best in the best of all possible worlds; there were no complaints and no requests. His Excellency briefly expressed his acknowledgments of the kind sentiments conveyed, and his satisfaction at hearing of the prosperous condition of things in Viramgaum, and humorously alluded to a novel experience he was to enjoy in being called upon to distribute school prizes at a railway station, a ceremony which immediately followed. The children sang an ode, and a few representatives were brought forward to receive their prizes at the hands of his Excellency. This incident slightly delayed the journey, but the lost time was pretty nearly made up by the time we reached Ahmedabad. Thus concluded his Excellency's third and last tour in Kathiawar, and a very satisfactory and busy one it was. He has now seen the province fairly started with railways, thanks to the enterprize of some of its Chiefs, and its principal parts connected with the main trunk line. Something in this direction still remains to be accomplished, but the example has been set and the impetus given, and it is not unreasonable to hope that an era of progress and commercial activity has begun in Kathiawar, which his Excellency may be congratulated on having done so much to foster.

THE FIFTH NATIONAL CONGRESS.

The fifth National Congress, as already announced, opens on the 26th inst., and the arrangements for holding it are almost all complete. Delegates, to the number of 1,800, are expected to come from the different provinces of the empire; and Bombay city itself will furnish about 180 more, making a total of about 2,000 delegates in all. Twenty bungalows have been taken up on the Parel Road, at Mazagon, Grant Road, and New Foras Road, to accommodate the 1,800 delegates expected to arrive from out stations. A Provision Committee of influential Hindoo and Mahomedan gentlemen has been organised to look after the boarding of these delegates; and six Visiting Commitees have been appointed to look after their comfort and convenience in every respect. The delegates will begin to arrive to-day; but the largest numbers are expected to arrive to-morrow and on the 25th and 26th inst., probably at the rate of about 500 a day. The G. I. P. Railway authorities have kindly opened a temporary Congress station on the vacant ground reserved for the new Byculla Railway station next to the Bombay Tramway stables, nearly opposite the Victoria Gardens. It is to be called the "Temporary Congress Station"; and delegates expected to arrive from various centres have been telegraphed beforehand to alight there. Arrangements have been made with the Bombay Tramway Company to run special tram cars for the conveyance of the delegates to and from the temporary station; and also for their conveyance during the sittings of the Congress to the Congress pavilion. Each delegate is bound beforehand to pay his admission fee of Rs. 8 for the sitting, and to get his ticket at the ticket office on the Congress ground. The Congress pavilion is now complete, and is elegantly draped all round, flags and banners waving aloft from the top of the pavilion, which has sixteen entrances, those for the delegates being separate and distinct from those intended for the visitors. It will be illuminated with fifteen large crystal chandeliers, hanging overhead from the canopy. Raised platform seats have been provided in the centre of the pavilion for about 2,000 delegates. The president and the members of the Reception Committee are to be accommodated on a raised *dais*; while 2,000 visitors will be accommodated all round in the gallery, which is nineteen feet broad. Special accommodation has been provided for distinguished visitors. By the side of the pavilion, at the entrance gate, is an office for the registration of the delegates; and further on is an office for the issue of tickets. The comfort of the visitors has been kept in mind; and a large *shamianah*, eighty feet square, has been put up for them to lounge during the afternoon recess. Provision has been made for a reading-room for the delegates, where newspapers will be supplied; and a book-stall for the sale of Congress literature. A separate office has been provided for Mr. A. O. Hume, the general secretary, who will have to live in his tent on the ground during the sittings of the Congress. Booths have also been erected to provide refreshments for the delegates and the visitors. The latter will have to pay for refreshments; not so the delegates. No programme of subjects to be discussed by the Congress has been drawn up. The "subjects committee" will, as usual, be appointed after the president has delivered his inaugural address on the 26th inst. On that day, the proceedings will be opened by the chairman of the Reception Committee welcoming the delegates, after which the president will deliver his inaugural address. Arrangements have been made for the reception of Sir William Wedderburn, the President, and of Mr. Bradlaugh, at the Apollo Bunder on the arrival of the mail steamer to-night. All the members of the Reception Committee will assemble at the Bunder immediately on the arrival of the mail steamer at any hour till 8 p.m. Should it arrive later than 8 p.m. the Reception Committee are to go as a deputation the next morning to the residence provided for the president and Mr. Bradlaugh in Pedder Road. This bungalow has been handsomely furnished and decorated for the purpose, and has been kindly placed at the disposal of the committee by the sons of our late distinguished townsman, the Hon. Mr. Morarjee Goculdas, C.I.E. In all probability, Mr. Bradlaugh will receive the addresses of welcome prepared for presentation to him on Saturday evening at 9-30 p.m., and will deliver an address. During the Congress proceedings he will sit in the block specially reserved for distinguished visitors; but it is not expected that he will take part in the Congress proceedings as a delegate.

THE GOVERNOR IN AHMEDABAD.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 18.

Ahmedabad is *en fête* at present owing to the presence of T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Lord and Lady Reay. Lady Reay left for Ahmedabad on Tuesday evening, and arrived here this morning. She was met at the station by about fifty Parsee and Hindoo ladies, with whom she conversed for some time. H. E. the Governor arrived shortly after 11 o'clock and drove to the Collector's, (Mr. James) where he resides for the time he remains in Ahmedabad.

His Excellency had not much time for rest as he had arranged to receive the visits of the Native Chiefs assembled in Ahmedabad. There are several of them here now, and it was well on to 3 o'clock before the last chief had been bowed out. Five was the hour fixed for the opening of the Jubilee Hospital by H. E. Lady Reay, and by that time almost every man, woman, and child was opposite the neat-looking buildings, which are to relieve the sufferings of the male and female inhabitants of the city, and which owe their existence to that wealthy and large-hearted gentleman, Mr. Runchorelal Chotalal, the Dinshaw Manockjee Petit of the second city in the Bombay Presidency. Those who were not in and around the spacious *mandap* that had been run up before the Hospital, lined the roads in dense throngs, and showed by their demeanour that when a Governor came amongst them he was welcome. It did not require this on the part of the people, however, to assure the distinguished visitors that they were welcome; for all along the route gay flags and bunting floated on the evening breeze, and here and there might be seen devices and inscriptions bidding the visitors welcome, and breathing good-will and loyalty.

A spacious and tastefully decorated *mandap* had been erected near the Hospital for the accommodation of those who had been invited to witness the opening ceremony. Almost every one of the three hundred invitations had been accepted, and amongst those present were:—

Khan Bahadurs Runchorelal Chotalal, Cuvee Dalputram Dyabhai, C.I.E., K. B. Nowrojee Pestonjee, vakil; Mr. Jehangir Pestonjee, vakil; Khan Bahadur Nowrojee Dorabjee Khandallawalla, Mr. Pherozshaw B. Dastoor, Nugger Shett Myabhai, Rao Bahadoor Kelkar, Mr. Jaisingbhai Hutising, the Kazi Saheb of Shahpore, Khan Bahadur K. P. Laikaka, Mrs. Nowrojee Vakil; Mrs. N. Khandallawalla, Mrs. F. Tarapurwalla, and Miss Kapadia. Among the Rajas present were the Raja of Lunawada, the Nawab of Balasinore, and the Raja of Chota Odeypore with his brother.

Among the European gentlemen present were:—

Messrs. Propert, Reid, James, Duxbury, Dr. Bartholomew, and Mr. Gillespie.

Her Excellency Lady Reay, accompanied by Lord Reay, H. R. H. the Duchess of Connaught, and members of the staff, arrived in time and were received by Mr. Ranchorelal Chotalal and the members of the Reception Committee. They were conducted to a dais which was put up in the centre of the *pendal*, and when they had taken their seats Mr. James, the Collector of Ahmedabad, stepped forward, and said:—

Your Excellencies, your Royal Highnesses, Ladies and Gentlemen,—The ceremony in which we are going to take part to-day may be called, as far as the present generation is concerned, the crowning act of the citizens of Ahmedabad towards supplying the poor and the needy with skilled medical comforts and assistance. Ahmedabad indeed has been fortunate in the liberality of her citizens. In the year 1858 the then Nagerseth Premabhai Hemabhai and his relation and friend the famous Sheth Hathising, erected the present Civil Hospital, giving Rs. 20,000 to the building, and investing a sum of over half a lakh of rupees for the endowment and maintenance of the institution. This noble act was followed eight years afterwards by our venerable fellow-citizen K. B. Becherdas Ambaidas, C. S. I., whom we are sorry to miss to-day as he himself is stretched on the bed of sickness. He gave an endowment of Rs. 16,500 to the dispensary, which bears his name. The Municipality erected the building at a cost of Rs. 7,500, and the Government agreed to supply, as was the custom at that time, the services of an Assistant Surgeon. The Raipur Dispensary was founded in the southern quarter of the town in 1864, through the influence and exertions of a good old friend, to Ahmedabad, the late Dr. Wyllie. The Municipality provided the building at a cost of nearly Rs. 20,000, and the Municipality and Government now support it between them. Last of all came our good old friend, Mr. Ranchorelal to whose Munificence we owe the group of buildings which you see before you. The Ranchorlal Dispensary was founded a few years ago, and our friend not only expended a quarter of a lakh of rupees upon the building, but has endowed it with a sum of Rs. 40,000 for its maintenance, making a total of upwards of Rs. 65,000. He has also defrayed at his sole cost the construction of the building for the Jubilee Hospital, and has promised to pay half the salary of a lady doctor for four years. Last, but not least, is an outdoor dispensary founded by the benevolent exertions of the Presbyterian Mission, under Dr. Mary McG

may be, and then return to their homes. In this manner, since the opening of this dispensary in April last upward of 4,500 patients have attended here for a variety of complaints. And the average daily attendance has been about 84. You will admit that the success, or otherwise, of an institution of this kind is to be gauged by the number of the daily attendance, for if patients do not obtain the relief they are in search of, their number gradually dwindles away, and the dispensary falls into disrepute. Now, your Excellencies, ladies and gentlemen, I may state that although I do not visit this dispensary, except when committee duty brings me here—for you must remember that this is a dispensary for women, and presided over by a medical officer of their own sex. I really do not think that a man has any business within its walls except perhaps when his services are urgently needed in professional consultation. I say that although I am not a daily visitor here, I have had occasion to pass this way frequently during the working hours of the dispensary, and I have had ample opportunity for judging its popularity and usefulness by observing the crowd of patients waiting for advice. One cannot for a moment suppose the crowd which I refer to come here daily for the mere sake of gratifying their curiosity, or far less with the sole object gratifying a morbid appetite for pills and mixture dispensed here. I have, therefore, no hesitation in saying that, looking at this institution in a professional point of view, it has proved a great success, and that it is filling a want which is really felt by a section of the community of this large city. Now the committee intend extending its sphere of usefulness by opening a department for the more serious cases, which require in-d or relief; and for this purpose we are assembled here this evening, and, ladies and gentlemen, you will agree with me when I say that nothing can be more appropriate on an occasion of this kind than that her Excellency Lady Reay should take a prominent part in the ceremony; for, I am sure the members by the committee agree with me when I say that the success of this dispensary is in a very great measure due to the keen and lively interest which her Excellency has taken n it.

The same gentleman then read the following address to her Excellency :—

To Her Excellency Lady Reay, C. I.—May it please your Excellency,—It affords us great gratification to welcome your Excellency to Ahmedabad, and to present to you the finished work, of which at your visit two years ago you were pleased to approve the conception. The history of this institution is already known to your Excellency. For some years past Rao Bahadur Runchorelal Chotalal, C.I.E., at whose expense the adjoining dispensary for males was built and mainly endowed, had contemplated the establishment of a hospital and dispensary for native women as well. The philanthropic exertions of Lady Dufferin, so warmly and effectually seconded by your Excellency, led to the project taking a definite shape, and in 1887, when a collection of Rs. 15,000 was made for the commemoration of her Majesty's Jubilee (for which the district is indebted in great part to the liberality of the Chief of Patri), the committee of the fund, presided over by our late Collector, Mr. George Reid, determined that it should form the nucleus of a Female Hospital Endowment Fund. The foundation-stone was laid by Mrs. Reid on Jubilee-day, 21st June 1887. Your Excellency will, we are sure, consider that there is scarcely any object with which her Most Gracious Majesty's name could be more fitly associated than one designed for the relief of the women of India. His Excellency the Governor, to whom our best thanks are due, was pleased to promise the usual Government donation of Rs. 2,000 a year. The local board promised Rs. 240 and the Municipality Rs. 600 a year. Mr. Runchorelal himself engaged not only to pay for the construction of the building, estimated by the Executive Engineer at Rs. 24,000, but to defray half the cost of a lady doctor for the first four years, after which the Municipality promised to raise their subscription to Rs. 1,200 a year. The Jubilee subscription having been invested at 5 per cent., our total guaranteed revenue thus became Rs. 4,500 a year, so we found ourselves in the fortunate position of having an income sufficient for our wants, as the Surgeon-General's estimate was a few hundred rupees less. Government having also been pleased to give us this site, valued at Rs. 8,000, a donation for which we beg to tender our grateful acknowledgments, Mr. Runchorelal commenced to build. The work was so far advanced that on the 1st April last we were able to open the out-door patient department, the ceremony being performed by an old and well-tried friend of the women of India, Mrs. Frederick Sheppard, whose departure from the country we greatly regret. We first obtained the services of a qualified lady doctor from Madras, who resigned after four months, and in her stead we have engaged a lady from the Cama Hospital in Bombay—Miss Kapadia. We have also secured a nurse trained at the same institution, who is paid from the interest on the local Lady Reay's Fund. Your Excellency will rejoice to hear that that fund is being put to so excellent a use. The out-patient department already is very popular, the average attendance being upwards of 100 patients per diem. The in-patient department, which your Excellency is about to do us the honour of opening, consists of a centre room designed to contain four beds and four private rooms for isolated cases, each containing one bed. The total cost has not exceeded the Executive Engineer's estimate, while a great deal of additional earth-filling, the compound wall, and other works have been completed which were not in the original estimate. The buildings have been constructed from designs by Colonel Osborne, R.E., late Executive Engineer of Ahmedabad. We are in hopes that as the institution becomes appreciated, we shall receive donations from wealthy native gentlemen whose families find relief at the hospital, or who charitably inclined, sufficient to enable us to extend the accommodation, and to add to the attendance and comforts provided. It is also our wish to utilise the hospital for the training of nurses for female-sick and the teaching of "dhais." In short, we hope that from this small beginning benefits, numerous and widespread, will, in the course of time, be reaped by the women of the entire city and district. We consider it a matter of great congratulation that this institution should have afforded your Excellency another opportunity of manifesting your deep interest in the Indian people of your own sex. We tender alike to your Excellency and Lord Reay our hearty thanks for the consistent aid you have given in its establishment, and we trust that in commemoration of this day your Excellency will permit the ward, you are about to open, to be called henceforward, "The Lady Reay Ward." The completion of the Victoria Jubilee Dispensary and Hospital under such auspices as yours cannot but augur for it a career of great usefulness, such as we pray that your Excellency and Lord Reay may yourselves be spared long to enjoy when you return to your native land.

His Excellency, in replying on behalf of Lady Reay, said :—

Your Royal Highness, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—I thank all here present, and those who were present this morning, for the very hearty welcome you have given me on my return to Ahmedabad. We are both deeply touched by the friendly tone of your address. Lady Reay desires me to tell you that it is a great pleasure to her to return to this progressive and attractive city, and I need scarcely say that I fully share in those sentiments. It has been a matter of great gratification to me to find that on the occasion of every successive visit you give new evidence of good and practical work being done in a harmonious spirit by every class of the community, co-operating to do as much good for the people as possible. Our friend, Mr. Runchorelal, has always been foremost in his endeavours to do good to others. He has thereby not only done a good work for himself, but he has also been able to stimulate the latent philanthropy in other quarters, and nothing gives me greater pleasure than that his example is being rapidly followed by others. Mr. Runchorelal has in his turn been only following the example of illustrious benefactors of this city of by-gone days. It has a very good record in this line, and I hope that when my successor visits Ahmedabad, some additional name will have to be added to the list of men who have benefited the town. Meanwhile, Mr. Runchorelal sees the edifice rising from it foundations for which he has worked so assiduously and so unselfishly. An edifice of which the designation is so fitly connected with that great historical Jubilee of our beloved Sovereign her Majesty the Queen-Empress—(loud cheers)—and nothing is more proper in naming a work undertaken by women for women than that it should bear the name of the most illustrious women in the great British Empire. Now, I always notice one or two new features on these occasions which strike me as peculiar and worthy of imitation elsewhere. To-day one of the most pleasant features of the ceremony was that Dr. Bartholomew came forward to give this institution his professional blessing. It is extremely pleasant to see a professional gentleman come forward to welcome women in the field of medical relief. We have always been told that there has been some jealousy between the male and female branches of the profession, but that impression must have been removed by the remarks made by Dr. Bartholomew. He has informed us that he has abstained from entering those sacred walls. Well I am not sure that you will all agree with me, but I am certain that at no remote date a breach of the rules will be so far permitted that Dr. Bartholomew will be called to co-operate in some difficult operation, and I have no doubt that he will be welcomed by the patient. I visited a little while ago that excellent hospital for women, the West Hospital at Rajkote, and there my friend Miss Goldney took me to a separate room where I found two high caste Brahmin ladies. My first impulse was to withdraw, but great was my astonishment when I saw that those two ladies welcomed Dr. Quicke, as though he were the best friend they had in the world. That, I think, shows the great progress that is being made in this country. I hope the lady doctor in charge of this hospital will not only accept Dr. Bartholomew's proffered aid, but that whenever she is in difficulties she will apply to the Civil Surgeon for the time being for assistance, and I may add that Civil Surgeons in the Presidency may feel sure of the cordial support of Government by co-operating with this Association, very little remains to be said after the three able speeches we have heard. We have heard the praises of this institution sung by our venerable Gujerati poet, who I am pleased to see again. Then we had the excellent remarks of Mr. James, giving a complete history of the work, and then we have listened to the professional remarks of Dr. Bartholomew, so that on this occasion my share is a purely ornamental one in the proceedings. Lady Reay has done the practical part by opening the building. It gives her the greatest pleasure to have been able to declare this institution open, and she hopes that it will remain as a permanent record of the wise philanthrophy of the citizens of this town, and she assures you all that she will carry away from here the most satisfactory recollections of this very pleasant day. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

Mr. Runchorelal Chotalal very heartily thanked his Excellency the Governor for his kind expressions about him. He said :—

The necessity of having a medical institution under a qualified lady doctor for the benefit of women was long felt by him, and it was through the kind support of Government and the local officers, Messrs. Reid and James, that the object was fulfilled now. He further said from the personal knowledge that her Excellency Lady Reay took a warm interest in this institution, and that the accomplishment of the object was in a great measure due to the noble interest taken by her Excellency. A portion of the buildings was finished in April last, and was opened for the use of the out-door patients only, but the building intended as hospital for the in-door patients was not then quite ready, and as a trained nurse was not then available it was deemed necessary to postpone its opening up to this time, and it was a matter of great gratification that the opening ceremony of this hospital has been so gracefully perfo med by H. E. Lady Reay, who took so much interest about it. It was a most fortunate circumstance that her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught happened to be present in Ahmedabad about this time, and he begged to tender his most grateful and respectful acknowledgments for the honour graciously done to the institution by her Royal Highness. Mr. Runchorelal Chotalal remarked that the foundation-stone was laid on the real Jubilee Day of our beloved Sovereign her Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress, who takes warm interest for her Indian female subjects, and, therefore, it is appropriately called after her auspicious name.

Lord and Lady Reay, the Duchess of Connaught, and party then visited the building, and her Excellency opened the door. While she was in the act of doing so a shower of roses was thrown on to her from a mechanical contrivance overhead. The hospital and new ward were then examined, and the proceedings terminated.

RATNAGIRI HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

There was a large and influential gathering of both European and Native inhabitants of Ratnagiri at the High School on Tuesday last to witness an exhibition of athletic sports by the students of that institution. The school hall and the open space in the front were decorated with garlands, ever-greens, and flags. Amongst those present were Mr. G. F. M. Grant, Acting Commissioner, S.D. (presiding), ; Mr. Hamilton, Acting District Judge ; Miss Hamilton, Dr. and Mrs. McCalman, Mr. R. S. Tipnis, Assistant Judge ; Rao Bahadurs B. V. Phadke, K. N. Bhangamkar, and B. P. Joshi ; Rao Sahibs K. S. Risvadkar, S. K. Dhond, and B. R. Phadke ; and Messrs. P. V. Godbole, J. K. Kulkarni, S. M. Namjoshi, L. D. Katre, and several others.

At first the guests assembled in the school hall to consider what means should be adopted to improve the existing accommodation and appliances in the school for gymnastic work.

The head-master Mr. D. G. Kelkar, in a short speech, explained the insufficiency of the existing accomodation for gymnastic work and the inconvenience arising from want of a suitable playground to the school, and stated that if the public would respond liberally to his appeal, and raise a fund by public subscription, the educational authorities could be requested to come to their help, and move Government to supplement the amount and arrange for the erection of a suitable gymnasium and secure a suitable playground. He then moved the following resolution :—"That the existing gymnasium of the Ratnagiri High School being insufficient for the requirements of the school, steps be taken to improve it by appointing a committee to arrange about the collection of subscriptions for the purpose from such public-spirited gentlemen as are interested in the physical well-being of the youths attending the High School of this district.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. J. K. Kulkarni, and carried unanimously.

The next resolution was moved by Mr. R. S. Tipnis as follows :—"That a subscription list be now opened and circulated in this meeting." This was seconded by Mr. S. M. Namjoshi, and carried unanimously.

The Commissioner had the goodness to open the subscription list with a munificent contribution, which was liberally supplemented by both European and Native gentlemen. More than Rs. 400 were collected on the spot.

Mr. J. K. Kulkarni then moved :—"That when a sufficient amount is collected the committee should offer it to the Educational Inspector, S.D., through the head-master, with a request that he should move the Government to kindly add the remaining amount necessary and to erect a suitable gymnasium in the Ratnagiri High School, with the necessary apparatus and to secure a convenient playground for the use of the school."

This resolution was seconded by Mr. L. D. Katre, and carried unanimously.

The guests were then requested by the head master to move to the open space in the front of the building, where commodious seats were already provided for them.

The performers came out in neat uniforms, and all the events passed off well. The tugs were very exciting and the gymnastic post work, high jumping, and horizontal and parallel bar work was very much admired and greeted with repeated plaudits. Boys of all local schools and nearly the whole town had gathered to witness the sports. Notwithstanding such a numerous gathering there was excellent order and every thing passed off with remarkable success. At the close the spectators were again thanked by the head-master. The Commissioner and all others before dispersing expressed themselves highly gratified with all that they witnessed.

It is worthy of mention that during his short stay in Ratnagiri, the Acting Commissioner, in spite of the press of office work, has been so good as to attend the prize distribution ceremonies of the School of Industry, the Municipal Vernacular School, the Private Anglo-Vernacular School and the High School Athletic Sports. It was because he so kindly, warmly, and liberally countenanced the High School subscription movement that it was so far crowned with success. The Ratnagiri High School has sent forth many eminent scholars into the world, who now occupy high and influential positions.

MILITARY NEWS.

The following appointments have been made :—

7th Bengal Infantry : Captain A. Elderton, Wing Officer, to be Wing Commander; and Lieutenant M. R. E. Ray, 33rd Bengal Infantry, to be Wing Officer on probation.

23rd Pioneers: Second Lieutenant J. Randall, 2nd Battalion Royal West Surrey Regt, to be officiating Wing Officer on probation.

37th Dogras : Second-Lieutenant A. Roberts, 2nd Battalion Middlesex Regiment, to be officiating Wing Officer on probation.

43rd Gurkha Light Infantry : Second-Lieutenant S Clay, 2nd Battalion Yorkshire Light Infantry, to be officiating Wing Officer on probation.

The undermentioned officers are granted leave to England :—

Major J S Collins, 2nd Battalion Royal West Surrey Regiment, for 12 months, on private affairs.

Lieutenant G H S Browne, 1st Battalion Suffolk Regiment, for 12 months, on medical certificate.

Lieutenant E D Miller, 17th Lancers, for 12 months, on private affairs.

Honorary Lieutenant and Quartermaster T Lister, for 8 months, on private affairs.

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HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.

It is not often—certainly it is not always—that a performance which is described in the bills as varied and attractive is so in reality, but the phrase as applied to the performance at the Novelty on Saturday night was assuredly no misnomer, or not even in any degree an exaggeration, for a more varied, amusing, or better sustained representation of its kind we have seldom seen in India. Mr. Hudson simply out-Hudsoned himself in his wonderful flow of spirits and rollicking fun, and sang his comic pieces with a distinctness of articulation which saved every "point." The programme of entertainment was in many, if not in all respects, superior to any that this really accomplished company has previously submitted to the criticism of the Bombay public. Encouraged by plaudits of a crowded and frequently excited audience, the various artistes vied with each other in their efforts to please—a laudable purpose, in which they were singularly successful. Miss Nellie Harley was never more bewitching than in her encore song, "Oh, You Men," and in the first part brought down the house by her description of a military gentleman known as "Colonel Crusher." The Misses Linton and Roberts danced even more gracefully than usual, and the last-named lady gave a specimen of some extremely clever clog-dancing in her Dutch specialty. Mr. Harry Gilbert scored a great success in his descriptive song, "Masks and Faces," and proved his dramatic powers by mimicking different characters from life in each verse. The first part finale, "The French Conductor," was so provocative of the heartiest laughter that the interval of ten minutes which followed came as a necessary relief. If considered merely as a variety troupe, the Hudson's Surprise Party is undoubtedly the best that has visited Bombay in recent years; but it numbers also among its members two ladies whose contributions to the evening's entertainment would alone suffice to draw appreciative audiences. In Miss May Habgood we see one of those rare combinations of musical talent which make their possessors equally fitted to play with brilliancy and effect the most intricate passages; to interpret truly the compositions of a master; and last, but by no means least, to sympathetically accompany the most varied vocalisations. By her encore piece, "La Regatta Beneziana," by Liszt, she has shown that she can charm her hearers as readily when playing classical compositions as when manipulating the keys for effects which appeal more directly to the gallery. Of Miss Baber's singing we have before had occasion to speak highly. On Saturday it was discovered by her rendering of "It was a Dream," that to her known vocal gifts she adds true apprehension of the poetry and pathos of the songs she sings. Her encore song "The Polonaise" from Mignon was a vocal triumph. It abounds in difficulties which to any but a first-rate singer would be insurmountable. To-night's performance is under the patronage and presence of Major Roughton and the Officers of the Bombay Volunteer Artillery, when it is to be hoped there will be a crowded house.

THE FETE AT THE COLUMBIA SKATING RINK.

On Friday evening, the Skating Rink was once again the scene of something special, in the way of festivities, and if Mr. Simmons had been amongst the crowd that clamoured at the doors for an entrance before nine o'clock, he would, at least have had the gratification of seeing (and feeling, too, if he had been in the thickest of the press), that his efforts to please had been most successful, and that the Rink was one of the most popular sources of amusement that Bombay has ever seen. The skaters went merrily round, until 10 o'clock, when one of the small sailor boys exhibited a board, bearing the fiat, "Be seated"; and then the space reserved for spectators, which had been crowded all the evening, by those who were anxious to see our champion "Fancy Skater" perform fresh feats of skill, became literally packed; and every one waited in expectation. Presently, there was a commotion in one corner of the room, and Mr. Simmons glided on to the boards, through the divided ranks of the crowd. But he was mounted on something altogether novel, for instead of ordinary skates he wore elongated arrangements like stilts, which raised him at least two feet from the ground. He held every one breathless for about a quarter of an hour, as he performed some marvellously skilful feats, dancing, skating backwards and in all manner of positions, and finally coming down the room upon one skate, the other foot being raised high in the air, the skate having been skilfully removed, while he was in motion. There was a short interval, and there came a race for the instructors belonging to the Rink. Before a lap had been skated, it became evident that the skating powers of Mr. Jennings were far superior to those of the rest, and he finally won easily, doing the distance in 4 mins. and 45 1-5 secs., The next race was the "Three-legged Contest," and was a most laughable affair. It was evident that none of the couples had had much, if any practice together, and the performance was all the more amusing. After many struggles, the Messrs. Ellis reached the winning-point, accomplishing the distance, which was a quarter mile in 4 mins. and 5 3-5 secs. When the fragments of the unsuccessful competitors, who by frequent collapses had rendered themselves *hors de combat*, had been removed, another race was called between Mr. Simmons and Messrs. Ahrle and Wells. Mr. Wells is, it will be remembered, the gentleman who made such good running at the last amateur races, being the winner in the final heat; but on Friday although he did some clever skating at the commencement of the race, keeping Mr. Simmons behind him round many of the corners, he only showed up third, at the winning point. Mr. Simmons was first, as might have been expected, although he gave the others a considerable start, and Mr. Ahrle made a good race of the last few laps, coming in a good second. There was an interval for general skating, after this race, for about half an hour, and then came a short, though intensely interesting, contest between Mr. Simmons, and another amateur, Mr. Seton, who was allowed a start of half a lap. The race was run at a great pace, and Mr. Simmons won, tiring his opponent by the trouble he gave him, in rounding the corners; and doing the distance in 1 min. 15 4-5 secs. Every race came off without a single hitch, and great credit is due to those who had the arrangement of everything.

It may here be added that a change has been made in the prices of admission. On Tuesday evenings between 5 and 7-30 admission, as will be seen from the advertisement, has been raised to one rupee. A large number of coming events are now on the prospective list. To-morrow evening, Christmas Eve, Mr. Simmons has announced that at seven o'clock, he will, for the special benefit of the large numbers, who were unable to gain admission to the fete on Friday night, give another performance on stilts. Then on Christmas Day, the Rink will be open nearly all day. Between ten in the morning and 12-30, the period at which on other days the rink is reserved for ladies alone, gentlemen will also be admitted. There will be a matinee between two and four; after which the rink will be open at the usual hours. On Christmas night at 9-45 an additional attraction has been arranged in the shape of a race. Mr. Glover has challenged the instructors who ran first and second on Friday evening, to run a mile-race against him, and the challenge has been accepted. The terms are that Mr. Glover will skate the full mile, his opponents only running half a mile each. But the great event of the season will be a grand fancy dress carnival which is announced to take place on the 10th of January. Some names have already been sent in with descriptions of dresses to be worn. The carnival at the Calcutta rink was a great success, and it would seem, even at this early stage, that the Bombay one is going to be so too. To encourage novelties in fancy dress Mr. Simmons offers some magnificent prizes, which are now on view at the rink, for the most handsome dresses worn by ladies and gentlemen, two for the most original costumes worn by ladies and gentlemen, one for the most ably sustained characters by a gentleman, and two for the most handsomely dressed girl and boy.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 20th December, 1889.

Means of observations at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·909
Temperature of the Air	75·4
Wet Bulb Thermometer	67·5
Dew Point	63·5
Relative humidity of Air	·667
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=10).	0·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a. m., next day)	85·0
mum do, do (read at 8 a.m.)	68·1
ral Directions of Wind.*	ENE, E, ENE, NW, NNW, NNE.
vement of wind in 24 hours*	237

* From midnight to midnight.

A deputation of the leading citizens of Dera Ghazi Khan and others interested in the rescue of that city from destruction by the Indus, waited upon Sir James Lyall, who held out little hope that the Government would be able to undertake the costly measures necessary to control so powerful a river. He promised, however, to consult professional opinion.

ST. ISABEL'S LADIES' CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION.

The members of the above Association gave their annual entertainment to the children of St. Isabel's Charitable School on Saturday evening, on the occasion of the distribution of prizes for proficiency and merit to the deserving pupils for their past year's studies, and the closing of the school for the Christmas vacation. The entertainment was given in the bungalow of Mr. Gocouldas Madhowjee at Matherpacady, Mazagon. The spacious hall was tastefully decorated with flags, bunting, and evergreens and well illuminated. There were a large number of the friends and supporters of the institution present, and the Very Rev. Father Dalhoff, S.J., Acting Administrator Vicar Apostolic of the Archdiocese of Bombay, presided. The entertainment took the form of a sacred concert, and was attended with every success. It was opened by a pianoforte solo played by Miss Grace D'Souza, the head-mistress of the school, which was followed by the song "Sweet and Low are the Winds of the Western Sea" sung by Miss Rose D'Souza, one of the pupils of the school, and then came the duet of the sacred order from Rhomberg. The Lay of the Bell was sung by Miss Rose D'Souza and Miss Caroline D'Cruz. Both songs were well rendered. The elder girls of the school, aided by the members of the Matherpacady Musical Union, sang the cantata "Nativity," illustrative of the life of Christ, written by George Bennett, with pianoforte accompaniment by Miss Grace D'Souza, and under the leadership of Mr L. B. De Abreo, which was remarkably well rendered, and very much appreciated by the large audience. At its conclusion, Miss Grace D'Souza, the head-mistress of the school, read the following report of St. Isabel's Charitable School, Matherpacady, for the year 1889 :—

"This is a school, built exclusively from public contributions for very poor children, especially those whose parents are supported by the different charitable institutions within the suburbs of the district, and is under the control of the Ladies of the Mazagon Circle of the Charitable Association of St. Isabel. It admits children of both sexes, and at present teaches up to the IV. Standard. Books, stationery, &c. are generally provided to the poor children free of charge. We close the scholastic year with 64 pupils on our rolls, or practically the same number as last year, which was 67. We have every reason to be satisfied with the progress of the children, whose attendance at school has been on the whole regular, while the conduct of the pupils has been all that could be desired. No case of illness of any considerable importance took place among the children. During the year Mr. Anthony D'Souza, of Antonio Da Silva's School, several times visited the school, and on the last occasion stated that much progress had been made since his first visit. We would here tender him our thanks for the interest he evinced towards the school.

"As stated in our last report, the Government Inspector examined the school at the beginning of this year, and a grant of Rs. 127 was earned. We cannot do better than transcribe his remarks in the visitors' book :—'I visited the St. Isabel's School, Matharpacady, this morning for examination, according to Government standards, and I am very glad to be able to say that the school did satisfactorily in the several subjects required in the several standards. The third standard, particularly, was very well taught, and the reading of the girls pleased me very much. The second standard was a little weak, but I should attribute that to their nervousness. I am informed that this locality wants very badly a school, and I think the charitable endeavours of Mrs. Misquitta should be encouraged by all charitable persons. I hope next year the school will show better results and earn a larger grant.'—(Sd.) G. B. Laghate, Deputy Educational Inspector, Bombay, 15th January 1889. We cannot close this report without recording with deep regret the death of our much esteemed patron his Grace the late Dr. George Porter, S.J., D.D., Archbishop of Bombay, who was ever solicitous of the welfare of the school. Although his Grace has passed away from our midst, we shall ever remember his Grace's words spoken at the Cathedral when noticing the inauguration of the school, *viz.*, that the greatest good man could do his fellow-creature was to impart to him a moral education which would be the basis of his future career. We must express our thanks to the teachers for their untiring zeal, and to those who have assisted in making this entertainment a success, also in a special manner to Dr. Merwanjee Kuvarjee for lending his valuable piano, and Mr. Gocouldas Madhowjee for placing his spacious hall at our disposal, and last, but not least, to our benefactors through whose generosity we have been able to maintain the institution and purchase the prize books, and finally to the Very Rev. Father Dalhoff, S.J., Administrator Vicar Apostolic of the Archdiocese of Bombay, for presiding this evening and distributing them.

The prizes were then distributed to the deserving pupils of the school by the Very Rev. Father Dalhoff, S.J. The proceedings concluded by the children of the school singing "God save the Queen."

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

The result of the Second B. A. Examinations was announced on Saturday evening. Out of 332 candidates, 105 passed the examination—one in the first class, 24 in the second, and 80 in the pass class. The James Taylor prize has been awarded to Munoherahs Cowasjee Gazdar; the Bhau Daji prize to Shridhar Ramchundra Joglekar; the Narayen Vasudeo prize to Mahadeo Chintamon Kelkar; the Cobden medal to Trimbak Ramchandra Kotvall; and the Ellis scholarship to Balvantrao Kalliarai Thakore. The successful candidates are :—

First Class.—Shridhar Ramchundra Joglekar.

Second Class.—Ajrekar, Krishnaji Ganesh; Amin, Raoji Motilal; Apte, Sadashiv Vinayak; Belvi, Dattatraya Venkatesh; Billimoria, Dosabhai Dhanjibhai; Ezechiel, Percy H.; Gazdar, Manchershah Kavasji; Gokhale, Keshav Narayan; Gupte, Dattatraya Khanderao; Kelkar, Mahadev Chintaman; Mehta, Girdharlal Harilal; Mehta, Kaikhosru Behram; Mehta, Mavji Kanji; Mobedji, Ardesar Rastamji; Motlani, Abdul Gani Arabi; Paldayani, Bhojsing Gurudiamal; Patel, Shivabhai Motibhai; Paymaster, Rastam Barjorji; Sanjana, Kharshedji Edalji; Shiveshvarkar, Nilkanth Atmaram; Shrikhande, Govind Vinayak; Thakor, Balvantrai Kalliarai; Thariani, Kisam Sumar; Vartak, Vishnu Narayan.

Pass Class.—Agashe, Ganesh Krishna; Ali, Adnan Suleman; Arjani, Nasarvanji Kawasji; Athavale, Bapu Narayan; Balsekar, Mangesh Krishnaya; Bamji, Hormasji Edalji; Bapat, Nilkanth Krishna; Barve, Kashinath Chimanrao; Batigori, Jivaji Hanmantrao; Bidi, Krishnaji Kamlo; Broker, Madhavji Virji; Cama, Framjee Manikji; Chainani, Khubchand Jethmal; Chandavarkar, Padmanabh Gopal; Crago, Ernest W. J.; Dalal, Ardesar Fardunji; Dange, Shankar Narayan; Desai, Ramdatt Vithoba; El-Edroos, Syed Abubaker S. H.; Gazdar, Jehangir Jivanji; Ghandi, Ardesar Dadabhai; Idgunji Dattatraya Anant; Jalihal, Krishnarao Rangrao; Kalianpurkar, Ganpat Raghavendra; Kamat, Vishnu Vithal; Kapadia, Phirozeshah Rattanji; Karagudri Narayan Gurunath; Kathavate, Nagesh Abaji, Khadilkar, Ramchandra Krishna; Khansaheb, Isharlal Pranlal; Khare, Vaman Sakharam; Khare, Vishnu Vinayak; Koppikar, Pandurang Timappa; Kotval, Trimbak Ramchandra; Lalvani, Krishna Uttamchand; Lele, Raghunath Hari; Limaye, Narayan Hari; Limaye, Vasudev Vithal; Lukmani, Mahomed-bauker Abdulkarim; Masur, Govind Venkatrao; Mehta, Motiram Surbhai; Mehta, Panachand Jeyobaud; Mehta, Ratadram Manchharam; Merchant, Muhammad Valibhai; Munsiff, Manekshah Dhanjishah; Nadkarni, Ramchandra Hanmant; Namjoshi, Keshav Narayan; Nanavati, Hiralal Dayabhai; Nerurkar, Baji Vishnu; Padgavkar, Krishnaji Baburao; Pandia, Chabilanand Harinand; Pandia, Chandravidyanand Shrikrishnanand; Pandit, Govind Mahadev; Patankar, Nilkanth Pandurang; Patel, Ardesar Dhanjibhai; Patel, Chhotalal Lallubhai; Patel, Chunilal Kakubhai; Phadke, Sitaram Madhavrao; Phadnis, Subaji Sheshagirrao; Potdar, Krishnaji Venkatesh; Ranade, Vinayak Vishnu; Ratnagar, Ratanji Jamshedji; Redkar, Krishnaji Sitaram; Sabnis, Krishnaji Ramchandra; Sakalkar, Vinayak Bhaskar; Samarth, Narayan Mahadev; Sane, Ramchandra Balvant; Santuk, Kharshedji Kavasji; Saranjame, Narayan Balvant; Sathe, Narayan Nilkanth; Shirgavkar, Raoji Raghunath; Shukla, Navalshankar Narsinghprasad; Sutareya, Chhotalal Chunilal; Taleyarkhan, Pherozeshah Jehangirshah; Talati, Gokuldas Dvarkadas; Trilokekar, Lakshman Atmaram; Unvala, Kharshedji Framji; Vaishnav, Jayaprasad Haripramd; Varde, Pundlik Gangadhar; Vora, Maganlal Lakshmishankar.

Mrs. Strang, of Putaski, Michigan, recently became possessed by the delusion that she ought to kill her daughter, aged eighteen years. Taking a pistol in one hand and a cup of poison in the other, she went to her daughter's room and ordered her to take the poison on pain of having her brains blown out. The poor girl, after pleading in vain for her life, chose the cup, swallowed its contents, and fell dead at her mother's feet. The wretched woman then took some of the same poison, and was found dead by the side of her daughter's corpse.

THE INDIAN YARN MARKET AT HONGKONG.

Mr. J. Jamsetjee, in his report for the week from November 20 to Dec. 3, says :—Since our last report there has been an increased feeling of depression in our yarn market. Dealers have considerably restricted their operations owing to unfavourable advices from the consuming districts, greater stringency of money, and declining tendency of prices owing to continued large arrivals and pressure to realize by some large importers. The market has also been affected by a decline of over one dollar per picul in the price of the raw material caused by the new season's Indian staple having commenced to arrive freely. Prices of yarn have receded 50 cents to one dollar per bale, and dealers have confined their purchases only to actual requirements. Very small sales of desirable threads of No. 20s have been effected at 50 cents to one dol lar per bale under previous rates, the market closing very weak. The same remark applies to No. 16s, which is at present almost entirely neglected, and even at the reduced prices, settlements have been very insignificant. A limited business has been done in suitable chops of No. 12s at a decline of about fifty cents from previous rates, with a weaker tone at the close. Prices of No. 10s have further receded 50 to 75 cents per bale, through the impatience of holders to realize; and business to a fair extent has been done in approved qualities and chops; other descriptions being difficult to place even at a greater concession in rates. There have been larger arrivals of Nos. 6s and 8s, and a moderate business has been done at slightly under previous rates. With further arrivals prices are likely to decline. During the fortnight, arrival 9,007 bales, sale 5,180 bales. Shipment to Coast ports, 200 bales; and unsold stock 26,003 bales. Direct shipment for Japan 5,038 bales and Shanghi 1,510 bales. The markets at the Coast ports, Shanghai, and Japan have been quiet and dull during the past fortnight, and prices have been weaker, owing to increasing stocks.

THE EARTH-EATERS OF BEGOOR.

A native correspondent send to the *Madras Times* the following strange tale, which was published as written :—I just came back from Begoor—a village between Nanjungood and Nilgeries, whither I went last week on a special business. Begoor is a place surrounded by dense forests forming the fastness of the Sylvan Monarchs. Thus it is that the hunting party of his Highness the Maharaja occasionally resorts to this place. The forest is so impenetrable, that a stranger entering deep into it will give himself up for lost if he is not assisted by those already acquainted with the forests. Early in the morning on Thursday last I went, to satisfy my own curiosity, to the very heart of the forest, along with two followers who were not much older than myself. We had with us no other arms but clubs, and were wandering there till 12 o'clock, but our eyes did not meet with a single ferocious beast. At last we were suddenly surprised when a crowd of human beings (?) appeared in our sight. The hob-tail, eleven in number, consisted of 5 men, 3 females—all adults—and the remaining children. In appearance they are so lantern-jawed that they may be said to be the veritable personification of famine. At the time we saw them they were sitting on the ground, and their faces seemed to consist solely of a skull covered with a piece of skin and without a particle of flesh. What they spoke we could not make out. The only clothing they had was a piece of rough skin of a certain animal, which they tied round their waist. The moment they saw us they began to run; and we followed them. We would have experienced no difficulty whatever in overtaking them; but as we neared them they began to stone us, and we, afraid of risking our own lives, stayed away. The brutes were soon out of sight; and we tried to retrace our way, but in vain. The bye-paths and crooked ways through which we were wandering brought us to a bush, inside which we saw the same savages we met before. There we concealed ourselves from their view, but we were able to observe all their movements. The children were crying, and the adults were eating red earth which they had in the skull of some animal. The colour of the earth they ate closely resembled that which the Hindoos use to the threshold of their houses. One of us, seeing the savages eat earth, loudly laughed, which made the brutes utter a shrill unearthly cry, that struck a fearful chill to the core of my heart; a cry such as I hope never, never to hear again; a cry which still haunts me; one which in quiet moments, in lonely places and on dark nights, I still seem to hear. Before I had time to recover my feelings, stones were showered upon our heads, and we took to our heels. We returned to the village by 12 o'clock wondering at what we saw. It seems to me that the savages eat earth to stay the pangs of hunger by filling their stomaches because at times they can get nothing better. Is this not a curious fact in the history of human beings?

AN ANTI-CONGRESS MEETING AT POONA.

In pursuance of the requisition signed by the members of the "Dinbandhu Sarvajanik Sabha," a very large and influential meeting of the backward classes of the Native community, including the intelligent portion of Mahars and Mangs, able to read and write, was convened on the open and spacious ground called Phasia's Wada in Gosavipoora on Wednesday last. About 2,000 persons were present, including Brahmins, Manomedans, Jews and Hindus. The advanced pupils of the Dinbandhu Sarvajanik Sabha Free School were also present. The Secretary of the Sabha explained to the audience present that Rao Saheb Namjoshi said at the Congress meeting held in the Heerabag Town Hall on Sunday last that the impression of the people that the D. S. Sabha was against the National Congress was not a fact, since that Sabha had resolved to send delegates to the forthcoming National Congress. But as the majority of the members were against sending delegates to the Congress they requested the Secretary to call a public meeting to make a protest against sending delegates. The Secretary having explained the matter, Mr. L. Ghoreparray proposed and Mr. G. Kedaree seconded that Mr. N. R. Navalkar be requested to occupy the chair. Mr. Navalkar having taken the chair, addressed the meeting in English, the purport of which was given in Marathi by the Secretary of the Sabha. The chairman amongst other things said that India is not one nation, but congeries of nations. The people do not belong to one race, but they form a museum of races. The Congress cannot claim in the present state of the native community, what the English have attained after having struggled hard and spilt the best and precious blood of the illustrious sons and daughters of England. In reforms social questions should always proceed political questions. What is good for the goose is not good for the gander; so what is beneficial in England cannot be beneficial in India. England is in its poltical manhood, and we are still wrapped in the swaddling clothes of political babyhood. The most substantial food, such as meat, is strengthening for man, but the same food is not beneficial to children. If an attempt be made to thrust such food into the mouths of children, it will not simply produce indigestion, but hasten their death. We are not yet ripe for exercising electoral powers, for it presupposes on electorate. In case we are invested with the right of election one section of the Native community will become more powerful than the other, and this other section and a very large section too will begin to grumble. Feeling of bitter rancour will thus be created. This creation of bad blood will give rise to rebellion. Lives and property will become insecure. Thus the work

ECHOES OF SCIENCE.

Was the ancient Etruscans were, as a race, has long been one of the puzzles of ethnology. Dr. Daniel G. Brinton, in a recent paper to the American Philosophical Society, has, however, come to the conclusion from observations in Italy and North Africa, that they originally came across the Mediterranean Sea from the South, as their traditions testify, and that they belong to the same racial stock as the existing Kabyles of the Atlas range. Like the Kabyles they were tall, blonde, and dolicho-cephalic, or long in the head. So were the ancient Libyans as represented by the modern Berbers of old Barbary, and the Guanches of the Canary Islands. Their language was analagous to the Libyan tongue and the position assigned to women in their society accorded with that of Libya, while it entirely differed from that of Greece, Asia, and Turania. The same may be said for their system of federal government.

These blonde Libyans are also supposed by some authorities to be akin to the ancient Amorites of Scripture, as represented by the red-haired or blonde race still to be found in the mountains of Palestine, and cropping out among the Jews. It has even been suggested that the sandy-haired and freckled type of Scotchman is a survival of the same stock. They appear to have been a wandering race; but the red hair, like those little flags which are sometimes stuck into maps, is a never-failing ensign of their whereabouts.

The little image recently discovered in Idaho, America, is of great interest as a geological curio. It was found in baring an artesian well at the Nampa station of the Oregon Short Line Rail-road, a point about 20 miles from Boise city. The well has been sunk through lavas of the quarternary age, to a strata of sand below, and the sand-pump brought up the image to the surface from a depth of 320ft. Under the sand which contained the relic the borers have found a layer of vegetable soil, and below this the original sandstone. The image is about 1½in. long, and is a rude figure of a human being, carved in pumice stone. It is such as a clever boy with a taste in that line might fabricate, and is now maimed in the arms and legs. A coat of red oxide of iron has formed on the outside in the course of ages.

The genuine character of the find is vouched for by Mr. Kurtz, the borer, and confirmed by the scrutiny of Professors Putnam and Hayes. Mr. Emmons, of the United States Geological Survey, believes the strata in which it was found to be far older than any deposits in which human tools have hitherto been found. They were evidently deposited by the Snake River when formerly dammed up by a flow of lava, and subsequently overlaid by a first tide of lava. The discovery is held to support the view of Professor Putnam that the human race was formerly more advanced on the Pacific slope than on the Atlantic, or even in Europe.

The tachyscope of Herr Ottamar Anschuetz, of Lissa, in Prussia, is an ingenious apparatus of the zoetrope order, by which instantaneous photographs of persons, animals, or machines in motion are combined and reproduced so as to give the effect of life and movement. It consits of a wheel around the periphery of which the instantaneous photographs are arranged in a consecutive series. A Gissler tube illuminates each photograph in turn as the wheel is revolved, and the image of one persisting in the retina of the eye until the next appears in view, the effect of a single animated picture is obtained. From a study of horses Herr Anschuetz has observed that the ancient Greek artists were quite right in sometimes representing a prancing charger as resting on one hind leg. Modern artists always extend their supports to both hind legs together.

The weight of a cubic inch of distilled water is the base of our present system of imperial weights and measures. As defined by the Act of Parliament in the reign of George IV. it weighs 252,458 grains; but more accurate determinations have since shown it to weigh only 252,286 standard grains. The authorities of the Standards Office have therefore, we understand, proposed to the President of the Board of Trade that the national measures should be readjusted. Here, then, is an opportunity for the "most meaningless of modern measures," as Sir William Thomson calls the British standards, to be superseded once for all by the convenient metric system.

A step in this direction has been made in India, where the French metrical system (which of course is legalised in the United Kingdom) has been definitely adopted in the Photographic Office of the Indian Survey. A series of ready tables for the conversion of metric into British measures, and *vice versa*, has been compiled by Colonels Thuillier and Waterhouse. It will be useful outside the Survey Office.

The power of santonine to produce colour-blindness has recently been tried by Mr. John Spiller, F.C.S. The dose is from two to six grains, but Mr. Spiller only took one and a half grains dissolved in alcohol and diluted with water. In less than five minutes the drug took effect, and the white table-cloth of his room appeared a delicate blue-green, like pale turquoise. The solar spectrum did not appear to change; but the red and green bindings of books were dulled in tone. A tassel of green and grey silk, such as is used for testing the vision of colour-blind persons, was not perceptibly altered in tint, so that Mr. Spiller concludes his eyesight was not so much impaired as in many instances of colour-blindness. Nevertheless, he felt the influence of the santonine very strongly, and cautions people against experimenting with it as he did. He felt giddy and depressed in spirits until a simple emetic gave him relief. Santonine, in fact, is known to be sometimes uncertain in its action, producing nervous depression and poisonous symptoms. Perhaps the fact of his having taken it while fasting added to its sickening properties. One "swallow" does not make a summer; but so far as this experiment goes, it seems that santonine does not produce the kind of colour-blindness attending a natural defect of the eye.

Observations with the anemometer on the summit of the Eiffel Tower show that during a period of 101 days ending October 1, the average velocity of the wind was 16 miles an hour, whereas at the Paris Meteorological Office, 66 feet above the ground, it was only five miles an hour. The diurnal variation of velocity at the ground showed a minimum about sunrise, and a maximum about one p.m.; whereas on the tower the minimum occurred at 10 a.m. and the maximum at 11 p.m. Such an inversion is usual on high mountains, but was not suspected at the height of 994 feet, where the instrument was placed.

The "Pulsion" mechanical telephone, which is now attracting some attention, is merely a new form of the old string or "lover's telephone," which was developed in a practical manner some years ago by Mr. W. J. Millar, of Glasgow, and many others since that time. Some of these apparatus are still in the market, and in daily use. The new one is, perhaps, an improvement on some of the others; we are not aware that any comparison between them has been made in order to test the point; but it is certainly no great novelty. Experiments have been made with it at Glasgow, the Welsh Harp Hendon, and elsewhere. These show that it can successfully transmit speech over a wire of copper or steel for three miles, the wire being run on the existing telegraph poles and even twisted round the branches of trees without any particular care. Speech was also sent through one-third of a mile of wire submerged on the bottom of the Welsh Harp lake. So distinct is the vibration that the line can be tapped by putting the crown of a hat against the wire. The apparatus itself is simply a disc or vibrating plate with special springs behind it, and the line wire is hooked to it. No electricity or any other motive power, but the sound of the voice, is required. Hence it is likely to be useful as a domestic and office telephone in place of speaking tubes.

An ingenious Frenchman, having regard to the high stairs of the Parisian flats, has brought out a simple "stair-hoist," or "monte-escaliers," which can be added to any existing staircase, and serves to lift a visitor up to any storey. Two flat iron rails, one above the other, are fastened to the balustrade of the stairs, and on these runs a small platform, with a hand-rest in front. On this the visitor stands, and is gradually transported in a spiral path up the staircase by means of hydraulic or electric power, according to choice. The platform is, in fact, a carriage which he is free to step on or off without risk of injury, for it travels but a few inches above the steps of the stair. One of these hoists was shown at the [recent Paris Exhibition in the gallery of machines.

The luminous fountains in the gardens of the Champs de Mars were even more lovely than their predecessors at South Kensington and Kelvin-grove. The harmonious blending of hues was such as might have been expected from Parisian taste, and the example set has been followed into private establishments. The fountain of the Grand Hotel courtyard is nightly tinged with different colours; and M. Gaston Menier has devised a miniature fountain for his dinner table which plays before his guests from out the centrepiece of flowers.

NOTICES.

SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY,
INCLUDING
MYSORE STATE RAILWAY.
NOTICE.

REDUCTION OF FIRST AND SECOND CLASS FARES

FROM and after 1st January 1890, the ordinary First-class Fare will be reduced from 18 to 12 pies per mile, and the ordinary second-class Fare will be reduced from 9 to 6 pies per mile, upon this Railway.

Except in special circumstances and on special occasions, Return Tickets will not be issued.

JAS. CRAIK,
Traffic Manager.

Traffic Manager's Office, Dharwar, 16th December 1889.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Manager, Wardha Coal State Railway, up to 2 p.m., on 15th January 1890 for the supply of INDIGENOUS STORES required for the Railway.

2. Forms of Tenders, condition of contract and list of stores to be supplied, can be had on application to the undersigned on payment of ONE RUPEE.

3. Tenders should be marked thus, "Tenders for Supply of Stores."

4. The Manager does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

HGH. CLEAVER.
Offg. Manager, Wardha Coal State Railway.

Dated Warora, 7th December 1889.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.
ASHES FOR SALE.

The Acting Agent is prepared to receive at his Office, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, up to 1 p.m. (Gunfire), on MONDAY, 23rd instant, Tenders for the purchase of any number out of 12 lots of Ashes, now lying in the Locomotive Works Yard, Parel, and at Byculla, where the same may be viewed on application. All lots purchased to be removed within one month from date of acceptance of Tender.

Tenders will not be entertained unless made upon the Company's Form (to be obtained from the undersigned) and accompanied separately by a deposit of Rs. 240 as security for the due fulfilment of the engagement, failure in which will entail forfeiture of the deposit without the necessity of the Company having to prove any loss by the transaction.

Full payment must be made promptly on notification of acceptance of Tender and before delivery is made.

The Acting Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

ALFRED KING,
Storekeeper.

Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 12th December, 1889.

SALE OF THE BOMBAY SAW MILL MACHINERY.

THE UNDERSIGNED is prepared to receive up to and including the 15th day of January next, Tenders for the purchase in one lot of the ENGINE MACHINERY and TOOLS, belonging to the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited (now in liquidation), and now lying on the Company's premises at Tank Bunder, Bombay, and also for the purchase (in another lot) of one overhead 5-ton travelling crane, 50 feet span, to run out 150 feet, with power and hand gear, containing transfers travelling trolly and elevating chains complete, also lying on the said premises. No tenders will be received after the above date.

2. The party or parties whose tenders may be accepted shall pay to the undersigned 25 per cent. of the purchase-money immediately on the acceptance of his or their tenders being notified to him or them, and shall pay the balance within one week from the date of payment of the advance, and shall remove the machinery from the aforesaid premises within four weeks from the date of acceptance of his or their tenders.

3. Particulars regarding the articles to be sold can be had on application to the undersigned at his office, at 3, Tamarind Lane, Bombay, care of Messrs. Ewart, Latham and Co., or to his Solicitors, Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, at their office, in the Standard Buildings, Hornby Road, Bombay.

J. I. MURRAY,
Trustee for the Debenture-holders of the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited.

Bombay, 13th November 1889.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of MAJOR GENERAL NASSAU LEES, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming against the Estate of WILLIAM NASSAU LEES, a Major General in Her Majesty's Indian Army, deceased, who died at 64 Grosvenor Street, London, W., on or about the 9th day of March 1889 and Letters of Administration of whose property and credits were granted on the 10th day of October 1889 by the High Court at Bombay to HAROLD ROBERTSON KING, are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Administrator at the offices of Messrs. King, King & Co. in The Standard Buildings, Hornby Row, Fort, Bombay, on or before the 31st day of December 1889, at the expiration of which time the administrator will hand over the assets to the person or persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

All persons indebted to the Estate of the deceased, or having property of his in their hands, are hereby required to pay their debts or hand over such property to the said Administrator.—Dated this 29th day of November 1889.

CRAIGIE, LYNCH, & OWEN,
Solicitors, High Court.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
SUIT No. 14 OF 1889.

SHAIK MANICK SHAIK BUDHAN, residing in House No. 16 situate at Don Todd 1st Row, outside the Fort of Bombay, and ZORABAI, widow of SHAIK BUDHAN SHAIK MANICK, KAMBAI, widow of DAOOD KHAN CHODRY, BEGUMBAI, wife of SHAIK AZIZ MOOLA, FATMABAI, wife of GUNOO SHAIK DAWOOD, SHAIK EBRAHIM VULLUD-SHAIK ESMAIL, a minor by his next friend SHAIK HASSAN VULLUD AMEENBHAI, and ASHABAI, widow of ESMAIL SHAIK BUDHAN, residing in House No. 20, situated at Butcher Street, outside the Fort of Bombay, Mahomedan Inhabitants ..... Plaintiffs.

vs.

HAHMABAI, widow of ESSACK SHAIK BUDHAN of Bombay Mahomedan inhabitants, residing in House No. 16, situated at Don Todd 1st Row, aforesaid ..... Defendant

PURSUANT to an order of reference of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, made in the above suit, and bearing date the Twenty-Eighth Day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of Essack Shaik Budhan, late of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitant deceased, the Intestate in the pleadings in the above suit mentioned who died at Bombay on or about the fifteenth day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Three, are hereby required to file such claims in writing in my office in the Court House within one Calendar month from the date hereof, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said order. Dated this 16th day of December 1889.

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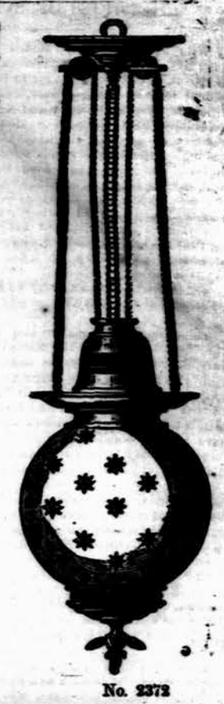

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